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## India takes steps to pacify Sikhs

NEW DELHI, Nov. 10 (AFP) — Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi Wednesday asked the Punjab state administration to release Sikh prisoners held in the state in a bid to pacify the Sikhs before the 9th Asian Games start here on Nov. 19, federal officials said.

The Sikhs who are demanding autonomy for the Punjab, have threatened to descend on the Indian capital in large numbers on the eve of the Games and militant Sikh leader Harchand Singh Longowal said the demonstrations would be "very vigorous."

The government is not treating this as an idle threat as Sikhs have a religious right to carry arms. Last month, Mrs. Gandhi ordered the release of an estimated 30,000 Sikh prisoners in the Punjab. They had been jailed during a campaign to court arrest — a traditional form of social protest.

According to officials here there are still 145 Sikh prisoners held in various Punjab jails facing charges from manslaughter to damaging state property.

Punjab officials said many of the Sikhs held in prison were known extremists and some were members of the fanatical Sikh organization "Dal Khalsa" (party of the pure Sikhs) which has claimed responsibility for hijacking three aircraft of the state-owned Indian Airlines in the last year.

## Indiscipline plagues OPEC

PARIS, Nov. 10 (AP) — Indiscipline is rife within the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), which begins its half-yearly conference in Lagos on Dec. 9 as the market continues depressed.

Iran, Venezuela, Libya and Nigeria are not adhering to OPEC rules on price and output levels. Boosted by rebates to customers, total OPEC output is around 19 million barrels a day against the ceiling of 17.5 million set at the March meeting in Vienna.

Iran, Libya and Venezuela are the chief rogue producers, and the Gulf countries are suffering most from this faithless competition. Saudi Arabia, for example, has kept its price up to \$34 a barrel for 10 years, and its output has plunged to its lowest for 10 years, a mere 5.5 million barrels a day in October.

Attempts so far to end the price war within OPEC have been unsuccessful. The last meeting of the OPEC market monitoring

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## Guilty of spying Court orders Prime jailed for 35 years

LONDON, Nov. 10 (AP) — Geoffrey Prime, a former translator at Britain's electronic intelligence-gathering center, was sentenced Wednesday to 35 years imprisonment for spying for the Soviet Union over 14 years. He was handed down another three years sentence for molesting three young girls.

"By your treachery you have done incalculable harm to the interests and security of this country, and the interests and security of our friends in the NATO alliance," Judge Lord Lane said in passing sentence.

British authorities had no suspicion Prime was a spy until he was picked up on the assault charges in Cheltenham where he had worked for the top-secret government communications headquarters.

His second wife Rhona, 37, her voice trembling, told the court she had gone to the police with Prime's espionage equipment after discovering it under a bed in their home when he was being held on the assault charges.

Prime, 44, in a rumpled dark blue suit and his brown hair tousled, started straight ahead and said nothing as sentence was passed. His wife sobbed. Earlier, giving evidence, she described him as a loving husband and a "marvellous step-father" to her three sons. "I can only condemn the terrible crimes he has committed," said Mrs. Prime who married him in 1977. "But I can forgive him because he is so utterly filled with remorse and guilt."

Defense attorney George Carman told the bustling courtroom No. 1 in London's famed Old Bailey central criminal court that Prime acted alone, dealing only with two Soviet agents whom he originally contacted voluntarily while serving as a Royal Air Force intelligence officer in Berlin.

"What you see before you is a desperately and emotionally inadequate person, a sexual and social misfit," Carman said. Earlier, prosecutor Sir Michael Havers, Britain's attorney general, said Prime's "14 years of treachery" stretched from Dec. 31, 1967 to April 29 this year and had caused "exceptionally grave damage."

But he added: "There has been much wild speculation... about the nature of the damage for which he is responsible, especially in relation to nuclear warheads and endangering the lives of agents. There is no evidence to support speculation of this kind."

Havers said Prime passed secrets to Soviet agents in London, Berlin, Vienna and Potsdam, East Germany. Prime admitted three charges of indecently assaulting girls aged between 11 and 14, for which he was originally arrested last April 27.

In 1976 and 1977, Prime, a Russian-speaker, worked as a translator at the Cheltenham facility, 90 miles (144 kms) northwest of London, which monitors and deciphers coded Soviet radio signals.

He had access to classified information "ranging from the simply sensitive to matters of the very highest secrecy," Havers said.

Havers requested that part of the trial go into closed session because he wanted to "explain what information was passed and the deep gravity of what Prime did." Details were not disclosed in open court.

The attorney general said Prime admitted during interrogation that "he was prompted

committee set for Oct. 28 in Vienna had to be canceled as there was no hope of reaching agreement.

Iran is now extracting some 2.5 million barrels a day, which is twice the figure laid down by OPEC though it was never accepted by Iran. With the help of rebates, Iran is exporting two million barrels a day. Iran earns \$2 billion a month from oil shipments abroad, and has hoisted its foreign exchange reserves above the \$13 billion level before the hostilities with Iraq, Central Bank Governor Mohsen Nurbakhsh has said.

Libya also grants big rebates, and has regained a good share of international business despite the U.S. boycott last March. Its output is 1.5 million barrels a day, or twice the OPEC quota.

To offset effects of other economic problems, Venezuela, whose output averaged 1.7 million barrels a day in the first half of this year, is now producing 2.2 million thus leaving its OPEC quota far behind. "We favor a production and price control agreement provided everybody keeps to it," declared Venezuelan oil minister.

## Saudi trade team begins India tour

JEDDAH, Nov. 10 — A team, made up of eight leading Saudi businessmen and industrialists, begins a three-day visit to India Thursday at the invitation of the Indian finance minister.

According to an embassy statement issued here Wednesday, "many concrete results are expected" from the visit during which the Saudi team will hold talks with various authorities.

The delegation includes Abdullah Foad, Abdul Aziz Ali Al-Murdaq, Dr. Ghazi R. Pharoan, Abdullah Ali Kanoo, Suleiman Al-Rajhi, and Ibrahim Saleh Al-Obaid of the Saudi Livestock Company.

initially by a misplaced idealistic view of the Soviet Socialist system." Prime first contacted the Soviets in January 1968 when he was based in West Berlin with the Royal Air Force at Gatow Airbase.

He used a miniature camera to photograph secret documents to establish his credentials. Havers named Prime's Soviet contacts in Berlin as "Igor and Valya" and said Prime's code name was "Rowlands."

Havers said Prime claimed he received less than 10,000 pounds (\$16,800) from the Soviet but his controllers told him at a secret rendezvous in May 1976 that if he wanted to defect he would be given a pension and the rank of colonel in the Soviet Union.

Prime made plans to defect in 1977 when "the pressure of living a double life got too much" and booked a flight to Helsinki, Finland, Havers said. But at the last minute, he "did not go through with it."

## Egypt urges joint Arab plan to deter Israel

CAIRO, Nov. 10 (AP) — Defense Minister Abdul Halim Abu Ghazala said in an interview published Wednesday Israel was guilty of "murder against the world" that threatens all Arab countries and called for a unified Arab strategy to meet the threat.

Such a strategy could make the Arabs the third world power after the United States and the Soviet Union, he told the weekly magazine *Al-Khaleel*. It would also enable them to build a potent arms industry, he said. Abu Ghazala said Libya continued to have troops concentrated along its border with Egypt but the situation there was quiet.

"The absence of a unified Arab strategy has landed the Arabs in the unenviable situation they find themselves in now," he said, citing the Israeli invasion of Lebanon, the Iran-Iraq war and other unrest in and around the Arab world.

"What is happening in Lebanon, Israel's military against the world, its attempt to impose accomplished facts by force and its implementation of the same strategy that predated peace (with Egypt), all these pose a threat to the entire Arab world," he said.

## Soviet supply line to Kabul said cut

ISLAMABAD, Nov. 10 (R) — Military supplies to Soviet troops in Afghanistan could be badly hit by a road tunnel explosion and fire which was reported to have killed at least 1,000 people, Western military analysts said Wednesday.

They said the damage to the Salang tunnel north of the Afghan capital Kabul could seriously affect the movement of ammunition and fuel to Soviet and Afghan troops as winter drew in over the next month.

Diplomatic sources in Islamabad and New Delhi said many victims were asphyxiated when at least one fuel tanker caught fire after colliding with a Soviet military convoy in the 2.6 kilometers tunnel Nov. 3.

The tunnel is on the only all-weather road between the Soviet border and Kabul. The road is a frequent target of Muslim fighters and travelers regularly report seeing burned out vehicles along it. Since the Soviet incursion into Afghanistan in December 1979, the country has become increasingly dependant on Moscow for almost all of its supplies.

The Western analysts said there were conflicting reports about the reasons for the high casualties in the 7.6 meter high tunnel. Afghan resistance sources said some travelers reported that local Soviet commanders believed explosions inside the tunnel were a guerrilla attack and sealed off both entrances. Other travelers said several dozen trucks and other vehicles halted by the collision kept their engines running because of the cold temperatures and the engine fumes used up oxygen in the tunnel.

The vehicles were unable to turn round or reverse out of the tunnel when the seriousness of the explosion and fire became apparent, they said.

## Malaysia stumbles on new tribe

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov. 10 (AP) — Malaysian officials reported Wednesday they have made contact with a small, primitive, nomadic tribe living deep in a Malaysian jungle.

The tribe members, who wear lion clothes, take shelter under branches and leaves, and make fire with stone and wood, were found in a remote area of Sarawak, Baram district officer Stewart Ngau Ding told reporters Wednesday.

Stewart, who met the tribe of about 43 people who previously had come into contact only with aborigines, said the tribe has no knowledge of crop cultivation.

He told reporters in Marudi, a town in the fourth division of Sarawak, 450 kilometers northeast of the state capital of Kuching, that the tribe survives on fruits and wild animals. The isolation has led to intermarriages within the group, he said.

Stewart said the existence of the tribe came to light when some Punans, an aborigine tribe that has come into contact with authorities for many years, reported sighting three people from the tribe wearing leaves and bark while looking for scented

## Differs on security pact GCC debates defense plan

MANAMA, Nov. 10 (Agencies) — Arab leaders in the Gulf region went into a second day of discussions dominated by matters of mutual security and defense.

The rulers of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Qatar and the Sultanate of Oman held a three-hour meeting behind closed doors at Manama's Sheraton Hotel.

No statements were made following the meeting, which was preceded by a three-hour ground breaking session by the foreign ministers of the six-member states of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), as the regional grouping is called.

But Bahrain's Defense Minister and Crown Prince Hamad told the Saudi Arabian newspaper *Al-Jazirah* that "studies on defense issues need time to consider and ponder." "I predict there will be a strong and firm defense for the region in the near future," he said.

Foreign Ministers of Saudi Arabia and the five other members of the GCC have recommended the establishment of a \$2.1 billion

investment fund, officials said Wednesday. The creation of the fund, to be based in Kuwait and called the Gulf Organization for Investment, was proposed by the GCC finance ministers at a special meeting shortly before the summit.

The foreign ministers, during their unscheduled meeting Wednesday, also discussed the implementation of a unified economic pact set for Dec. 1, the officials said. The agreement, which aims at creating a European-style common market in the region, was approved by the rulers, but it has apparently run into some problems.

Under the framework agreement, which covers petroleum and other economic sectors, trade, travel and tariff barriers are to be lifted on Dec. 1.

Omani Trade Minister Muhammad Zuhair was quoted Wednesday as saying that the finance ministers agreed Tuesday to delay the customs measures from Dec. 1 to March 1 to give the member states more time to prepare.

Zuhair told the newspaper *Oman* that the ministers also agreed to Oman's request to

exempt eight Omani products from the measures for five years. The waiver is subject to approval by the rulers. The rulers will also hear a report from their oil ministers, who met in Oman last month, and assess a recent agreement between Oman and its neighbor South Yemen on normalization.

Meanwhile the Saudi Arabian state radio revealed that Kuwait's interior minister was staying away from the summit, thus posing an obstacle to discussions on an internal security pact.

The radio quoted Bahrain's interior minister as saying the summit would still "consider recommendations" for the proposed pact despite the absence of Kuwait's Sheikh Nawaf.

Kuwait is known to have reservations about the pact because of a clause giving the security forces of any GCC state the right to pursue fugitives 20 kilometers inside the territory of other states.

Saudi Arabia concluded bilateral security pacts with all the GCC states, with the exception of Kuwait.

## King to unveil plaque today

MANAMA, Nov. 10 (SPA) — King Fahd and the ruler of Bahrain Sheikh Isa will unveil a plaque Thursday commemorating the bridge which will connect their two countries. The bridge, financed by the Kingdom will be 25 kilometers long of which 10 will be reclaimed from the sea.

It will connect Bahrain's Aziziyah locality with Khobar on the Eastern coast of the Kingdom, and will be the longest international bridge in the world. It should be ready for traffic during 1986 and will cost \$800 million.

## Riyadh all set to welcome Fahd

RIYADH, Nov. 10 (SPA) — The capital is preparing to accord King Fahd an unprecedented welcome on his return home Thursday from Manama after attending the third Gulf summit.

Big celebrations will be held at the popular and official levels in appreciation of the monarch's intensive efforts over the past few months and as a demonstration of the people's love and loyalty.

The King has lately been preoccupied with a series of Arab and international events. He has devoted his time to deal with such crucial issues as the Israeli invasion of Lebanon.

Political activities included attending an Arab summit in Fez, Morocco, in September, dealing with the Iraq-Iran war and holding bilateral talks earlier this month with King Hassan prior to participating in the Manama conference.

The celebrations here will be reminiscent of those held in Madinah about a week ago when the King was warmly welcomed by the inhabitants. Triumphant arches, the King's pictures and national flag will be seen all over the capital. Government departments, public institutions and houses have already been gaily decorated and illuminated for the occasion.

disarmament in Europe, a key Soviet objective.

Western delegates described the first speech by the newly-appointed Soviet official as "moderate in tone." He was told by French representative Gilles Curien that major East-West differences still exist over how much of Europe should be included in a proposed zone where military checks would be applied to guard against surprise attack.

Swiss delegate Edouard Brunner told the meeting: "We are forced to acknowledge that the international climate in which we resume our work is hardly more propitious for dialogue and negotiations than it was eight months ago."

If confrontation persisted after a reasonable period of time, "we must... seriously ask ourselves if we want to stay a third year in Madrid or even longer," he declared.

Switzerland wanted a balanced result — combining emphasis on human rights with new steps for military security — "but not at any price."

## Israel's negative attitude exposed

TEL AVIV, Nov. 10 (Agencies) — Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir dismissal of the Arab peace was condemned Wednesday as part of Israel's automatic answering device which can only say "gimmick, gimmick."

This followed Shamir dismissing Arab peace talks as "psychological warfare" designed to get Israel out of the West Bank and Gaza Strip and make way for a Palestinian state.

Shamir was responding in parliament to demands by the opposition Labor Party that Israel act on what its speakers called "a basic change" for the better in the Arabs' attitude to the Jewish state.

Labor's Yossi Sarid charged that every Arab initiative was received here "with suspicion, unease, discomfort, impatience."

He said the Arabs have the manpower and financial resources that would "enable them to forge a unified and effective strategy and to become the third or fourth power in the world."

"He called on the Arabs to renounce rampant differences among them and act in concert. "In my opinion, no group of nations is as qualified as the Arab world to achieve interdependence in the manufacture of arms," he said. "They speak one language and have the money to finance this interdependence."

Egypt is the only Arab country with a significant arms industry. The military plants now produce ammunition, artillery pieces, anti-tank missiles, and small armored cars. It has just unveiled the first Alpoet trainer and tactical aircraft, co-produced with West Germany and France and 10 percent of it manufactured in Egypt.

But Cairo officials have said Egypt cannot expand its arms industry as such, said, desires without the financial backing of Arabs who pulled out of the industry in protest against the 1979 Egyptian-Israeli

peace treaty.

Asked about the situation along Egypt's western border with Libya, Abu Ghazala said: "It is very quiet and we hope it stays that way. But Libya should withdraw its forces deployed along the Egyptian borders. There are no problems between us and Libya warranting the continuation of this tension."

Abu Ghazala indicated Egypt continues to supply arms to Iraq in its war with Iran. Western diplomatic sources estimated the value to be in the hundreds of millions of dollars. "We shall continue to provide any Arab country requesting us for arms with all it wants so long as we believe this serves its national security against external aggression," Ghazala said.

The minister said the military conflict between Somalia and Ethiopia over the Ogaden border dispute was a threat to the security of Egypt and Sudan, close allies under a joint defense pact concluded in 1976 and an integration charter signed last month. Sudan has a common border with Ethiopia.

## Iranians seize 50 oil wells

LONDON, Nov. 10 (R) — Iranian forces now control 300 square kilometers of territory in eastern Iraq and have seized 50 oil wells, Tehran radio reported.

The radio said Iranian forces in their latest offensive had occupied the border towns of Tiba and Zobeidat, several kilometers inside Iraq and the border posts of Shahrani and Abu-Ghorab. In the past three days Iranian forces had pushed 10 kilometers into Iraq across the central sector of the Gulf war front, the radio said.

It said Iranian gunners were now in a position to disrupt traffic on the key Baghdad-Basra highway along an 80 kilometers stretch from the town of Ali Al-Gharib to Al-Amarah. Iran launched the latest operation last week, pushing Iraqi forces out of Iranian territory they occupied at the start of the Gulf war two years ago.

Iran had said Tuesday its forces foiled the Iranian attack at dawn in eastern Iraq and forced the Iranians to flee.

A communiqué from the Iraqi high command said the Iranians attacked opposite Misan (formerly Amarah) governorate, scene of a week-long offensive by Tehran.

On Sunday Iraq conceded that the push had taken Iranian forces up to five kilometers into Iraqi territory, but Tuesday's communiqué gave no details on the battle area. The communiqué said 1,350 Iranians were killed in the battle, while a further 348 were killed in other areas on the same front.

It said Iraqi helicopter gunships attacked Iranian positions and knocked out five tanks and other equipment. Two Iraqi civilians were killed and four wounded in Iranian shelling of the cities of Basrah and Khanaqin, it said.

Meanwhile Sudanese government has

announced that three centers for recruiting the people willing to volunteer to fight alongside Iraqi forces will open Saturday.

The centers will work in three different areas in Sudan. The Sudanese News Agency said Tuesday. It said the decision to open the centers followed the arrival here Sunday of an Iraqi delegation. Sudanese first Vice-President Maj. Gen. Omer Muhammad Tayeb also visited Iraq recently to discuss arrangements for sending the volunteers.

The agency made no mention of an earlier statement by Sudanese President Numeiri expressing willingness to dispatch regular Sudanese Army troops to Iraq.

In Damascus Iranian Deputy Foreign Minister Hossein Sheikholeslam said his country had no wish to keep Iraqi territory. "Iran will not keep an inch of Iraqi territory, despite its ability to do so..." he told a news conference during a visit to Syrian capital.

## E. bloc scorns West demands

MADRID, Nov. 10 (R) — The Soviet bloc Wednesday scorned Western demands at the European Security conference for serious new international commitments on human rights.

Czechoslovakia said Western proposals highlighting humanitarian issues were "unrealistic and unacceptable." The chief Soviet delegate ignored the Western package and said the conference's first priority should be European security.

In a move reflecting growing doubts about the usefulness of the marathon Madrid meeting, Switzerland demanded "honesty and realism" over how much longer it should go on.

The conference of 35 governments, called to assess progress in East-West détente, enters its third year Thursday, still deadlocked on all key issues on a lengthy agenda.

Switzerland warned that to keep the meeting in session indefinitely — "to evade political reality at all costs" — would risk losing credibility for a system of regular European review conferences set up seven years ago.

Western delegations prepared meanwhile to press ahead with 16 tough proposals calling for human rights to be honored in Eastern Europe, and for trade union freedoms to be restored in Poland.

The proposals, which also seek a ban on the jamming of Western broadcasts, were tabled Tuesday when the conference reopened after an eight-month break forced by the West in protest against martial law in Poland.

Czechoslovak delegate Ilya Hulinsky told a closed session that the Western package was unlikely to succeed and was unacceptable, conference sources reported.

A Soviet delegation spokesman told reporters the Western initiative, backed by the United States and the entire 16-nation NATO group, was "an attempt to undermine the work of the conference."

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Anatoly Kovalev said the meeting should give priority to setting a date for a later conference on



## Japanese firm may get SR110m SAFCO deal

By Shahid Otaibi  
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ALKHOBAR, Nov. 10 — The Saudi Arabian Fertilizer Company (SAFCO) Wednesday issued a letter of intent to a Japanese firm and its Saudi Arabian affiliate for building a 600 ton per day melamine plant at Dammam. The letter was issued by SAFCO's Chairman and Managing Director Mahmoud A. Taiba who is currently leading a SAFCO team to Japan.

Anwar Khair Bader, SAFCO's public relations manager told Arab News that the formal contract worth around SR110 million was expected to be signed before the year end.

According to Saleh Ibrahim Al-Quraishi, SAFCO's new projects manager the proposed melamine plant would be based on cyanide-carbon technology, evolved by B.V. Holland and would use around 30,000 metric

tons of urea for producing 20,000 tons of melamine per annum. The plant, to be completed at a total cost of SR163 million would be SAFCO's second major investment after its sulphuric acid plant. The 300 tons per day capacity acid plant which came on stream in early 1980 is meeting the entire needs of the Kingdom's water desalination industry as well as the demand in the automotive and metal industries.

SAFCO's General Manager Dr. Ahmad Qidwai said the planned melamine plant could be the first member of the Kingdom's "tertiary industries" and a significant landmark in the development of down stream technology. He said that beside 30,000 tons of urea the melamine production would need small quantity of ammonia which was also produced by SAFCO "and as such we don't have to buy any raw material from outside," he added.

### In Tihama Region

## SR78m electrical contract let

ALKHOBAR, Nov. 10 — The National Contracting Co. Ltd. (NCC) of the Adirza Group (Alkhobar) has won an SR78 million contract from Secco Southern Region for subtransmission and distribution work in the Tihama Region. The contract was signed by Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Zamil, deputy minister for commerce and Secco South's President.

A company spokesman told Arab News the 24-month contract involves laying of distribution lines, transformers, sub-stations and more than 6,000 service connections. The electrification plan covers a total of 148 towns and villages in Tihama Region.

The contract, the spokesman said, was the first job assigned to NCC in power distribu-

tion although the company had earlier quoted for similar jobs in Hail and Najran projects. He said the company had also quoted for similar tasks in Sarat-Oheida, Qaiwab, Jizan Abu-Areesh and Tathieb in the Southern Region.

The NCC official said the company may seek some engineering support to accomplish the task but there was no possibility of any subcontracting because NCC felt confident of handling the job. He said NCC was also quoted for a task in Qassim power extension project which would involve laying of high voltage transmission lines, high voltage substations, supervisory control and data acquisition system.

## Desalination contract awarded

RIYADH, Nov. 10 (SPA) — A SR200 million contract was signed here Wednesday for constructing the third phase of the Dhaba desalination project. The contract was signed by Agriculture and Water Minister Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh.

The third phase will produce a million gallons of water daily. The contract also provides for establishing a power generation plant which will feed the desalination plant and a residential complex with electricity. A residential complex of 40 housing units with necessary public services including mosques, sports facilities, swimming pools and a 10,000 cubic meter water tanks will be con-

structed under the contract. Other facilities provided for under the contract are administrative buildings; control rooms; warehouses for spare parts, fuel, and chemicals; welding workshops; an integrated network for civil defense, fire fighting and other industrial safety and security measures; and comprehensive water and sewage networks.

Work on the third phase is expected to be completed within 25 months. The project comes in the context of the Saline Water Conversion Corporation's efforts to provide fresh water for various areas in the country through desalination of saline water.



EXHIBITION PREPARATIONS: Harald Nattermann, general managing director of Tamimi Computer Center prepares his equipment for the Data Processing and Office Equipment Show.

## New office systems to show at Dammam exhibit Nov. 13

Alkhobar Bureau

ALKHOBAR, Nov. 10 — Latest office mechanisms to speed up business will be displayed here Nov. 13-20 when Dammam Chamber of Commerce President Saad Al-Mojallil inaugurates the Data Processing and Office Equipment Show at the Alghosaihi Hotel.

According to hotel Sales Manager Akram Zaghloul, about 200 international firms will display products as 21 national companies participate in the show sponsored by Ahmed Hamad Alghosaihi and Brothers.

The Alghosaihi's exhibition hall has proved too small a place for the show which is likely to occupy almost the entire ground floor of the hotel. General Manager Rafat Wasel told Arab News that a couple of firms even requested him to rent them his personal office for the exhibition week.

Exhibition Coordinator Khalid Mousa said the show will be dominated by computers, almost 60 percent showing their hard and software.

IBM will be represented by Saudi Business Machines Ltd. (SBM) a subsidiary of E.A. Juffali. New entrants to the Kingdom's computer market include Arabian Computer & Electronic System (ACES) and Tamimi Computer Center (TCC). ACES Manager Harris A. Dennis said his company will be showing the recently introduced Kaypro portable computer weighing just 10 kilograms. He said that another system offered by Kaypro, called Tele Video 816, allows 16 people to use the computer simultaneously.

TCC, which has brought the first German computer to the Middle East is also offering a combination of word and data processing system. Harald Nattermann general managing director said a newly establishing company does not need to buy a typewriter if it acquires the smallest David system called David-203.

IBM's latest offers, promised to be displayed at Alghosaihi, include a desk-top copier and Selectric and electronic typewriters with an improved ribbon mechanism. Khaleeq-uz-Zaman, sales executive for SBM said the new small desk-top copier is being introduced in the Kingdom for the first time for medium scale work. IBM has been marketing its heavy duty copier here with a capacity of 4500 copies an hour. He said Selectric type writers, pioneered by IBM, are now being presented with some modifications to comfort the clients.

New products at the show will include Qyz Intelligent type writers of the Exron office systems represented in the Kingdom by CANAR. Sulaiman Meer said it will be difficult for his firm to display its heaviest system called the computer output micro-filming system of Data-Graphix Inc.

Some companies like the Assyri Computers, a Dutch firm in the Kingdom's market for the past seven years, will be showing an communication service which facilitate the travel of data between the company offices different cities using a computer terminal. Bruce Rae said the facility offered by his company would eliminate the delays caused by couriers in communicating necessary data between regional offices of major firms.

### Fahd thanked for support

## Mosque body ends talks

BRUSSELS, Nov. 10 (SPA) — The European Continental Council of Mosques sent Tuesday a cable of gratitude to King Fahd for the Kingdom's continuous support for building mosques and Islamic centers in Europe in addition to promoting the spreading of the Holy Quran, interpretation of its meanings and other Islamic books.

The council, concluding its meetings here, decided to build an Islamic jurisprudence center in Europe and form a special committee of council members to study the interpretations of the Holy Quran and determine genuine works and machinations.

Agreement was reached to publish introductory publications about Islam in various European languages. The council also decided to expose movements hostile to Islam and Muslims through wide-range distribution of leaflets.

The continental council decided to meet again next year in Geneva.

Muslim World League Secretary General Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan had addressed the closing session commending the "positive results" achieved for the benefit of Islam and Muslims. He praised King Fahd and the Saudi Arabian government for their

support for Islamic world and solidarity.

The establishment of an Islamic institute in Brussels aims at training imams, preachers and khatibs. Sheikh Harakan said, adding that the local radio station built recently will help transmit Islamic programs to all Muslims in Europe in various languages.

About introducing Islam to non-Muslims, Sheikh Harakan said such a move should not be restricted to direct broadcasting stations or Islamic leaflets which explain the noble principles of Islam. Rather, this should be achieved through abidance and respect of the Islamic way of life and its practical, verbal and behavioral application.

Refuting allegations by the enemies of Islam, he said the Islamic faith had not been spread by force but by following the virtuous example which enjoys the noble Islamic conduct.

Sheikh Muhammad Al-Uhwini, secretary general of the Continental Council of Mosques, also addressed the final session. He commended the Kingdom's role in serving Muslims and urged members of the council to keep in constant contact to exemplify the call for Islamic solidarity.

## Pakistan, UNCTAD survey local market for cloth exports

By Ahmad K. Khuroo  
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Nov. 10 A two-member trade delegation sponsored jointly by Pakistan and International Trade Center (UNCTAD) is on a fact-finding mission to Saudi Arabia.

The team is surveying the market for ready-made clothing and studying various options for further expanding the export of garments from Pakistan, according to Jalees Siddiqui, commercial secretary at the embassy here.

Export of garments from Pakistan have shot up from a minimal SR1.7 million in 1977-78 to over SR22.1 million in 1980-81, Siddiqui said. A major cotton grower, Pakistan has greatly improved its textile industry.

In 1980, a quarter of Pakistan's garment exports went to the United States, followed by Britain, France and Saudi Arabia. "But Saudi Arabia is a very large market and we expect to boost our exports considerably in the near future," Siddiqui said.

The team includes Mian Abdul Rahman, a consultant from the Geneva-based International Trade Center and Adil Siddiqui from the Export Promotion Bureau of Pakistan.

The delegation has visited West Germany and the United States before arriving here.

Rahman said that they sounded businessmen on the prospects for increasing exports and received mixed reactions. "As far as we can judge high-fashion quality garments are imported here from France while low and medium-priced goods come in from Hong Kong, South Korea, Taiwan and Singapore," he pointed out.

"Customers mostly indulge in impulse buying which depends upon attractive packaging and presentation," Rahman said. Based upon their observations, the team will make a report that will be submitted to ITC and their recommendations include the setting up of frequent meetings between Saudi Arabian importers and Pakistani manufacturers.

This would enable Pakistani exporters to tailor products according to Saudi Arabian market tastes and the styles that are current here, said the Commercial Secretary. Pakistan can supply cotton and blended garments at a competitive price as labor is cheap and the government is offering many incentives to the industry, he said.

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minister and acting municipal and rural affairs minister.

#### Diplomatic committee met

RIYADH, (SPA) — Riyadh Governor Prince Salman presided over a meeting of the Higher Executive Committee for the Transfer of the Foreign Ministry and Embassies during which projects of the diplomatic enclave were discussed with the aim of completing them on schedule. Prince Salman is also chairman of the executive committee.

#### Hunting allowed

RIYADH, (SPA) — Hunting in various parts of Saudi Arabia will be allowed from Dec. 1 for three months. An official statement issued by the Interior Ministry said permission to engage in hunting until February 28, 1983 was confined to falcons only without any use of firearms. It added that these measures were taken to preserve animal life in the country. The statement warned that any hunter caught using firearms would be punished.

#### French minister expected

RIYADH, (SPA) — French Minister of State Planning and Regional Development Michel Rocard will arrive here Thursday on a five-day visit to Saudi Arabia during which he will confer with King Fahd and other Saudi Arabian leaders on means of developing bilateral relations and cooperation in the field of planning and development. During his stay here, he will also visit Jubail Industrial City and the Planning Ministry to acquaint himself with the Kingdom's achievements in the field of industry and development.

#### Helou in Jeddah

JEDDAH, (SPA) — Moroccan Housing Minister El-Mufadal Helou returned here Tuesday night after a one-day visit to Riyadh in the context of his tour of the Kingdom. Helou held talks with Riyadh Governor Prince Salman on bilateral relations.

The Moroccan minister began a week-long visit of the Kingdom Friday at the invitation of Prince Miteb public works and housing

## Inspectors given wide power; sudden visits shake hospitals

RIYADH, Nov. 10 — Swift action is being taken nation-wide to improve health services in the context of an "administrative reform of the Health Ministry." Regional health inspectors were recently given wide powers by Acting Health Minister Dr. Ghazi Alghosaihi for the next six months.

Al-Jazirah commended Alghosaihi's move saying that the acting minister is continuing the house re-arrangement at the health ministry. Dr. Alghosaihi, who is minister of

industry and electricity, was appointed acting minister of health by King Fahd a few weeks ago when former minister Dr. Hussein Al-Jazairi left for a post at the World Health Organization (WHO).

Regional health inspectors began surprise visits of hospitals as soon as they were commissioned by the acting minister earlier this week.

Madinah Health Inspector Dr. Anwar Abdul Majeed Jabarti made a tour of hospi-

tals in the city Wednesday and took swift measures to solve some problems.

"I was much depressed by the lack of service at the King's Hospital, the poor conditions of the Psychiatric Center and the poor cleanliness standard at the general hospital," Jabarti told Al-Jazirah.

The company responsible for cleaning hospitals in Madinah was served a warning. The company will be subject to severe penalties if the situation is not improved within 72 hours.

"This is one of the matters which cannot be delayed," Dr. Jabarti said. About punishments of personnel, he said that a telephone operator was penalized for leaving his post while incoming calls remained unanswered and two nurses also were punished for failing to change dirty beds.

The psychiatric center will be moved from the old building within few days, Jabarti said. A new, suitable building will be leased and

furnished to bring services up to the required standards, he added.

"The acting minister gave us, as inspectors of health affairs, the complete authority given to him — administratively and financially," Jabarti told Al-Jazirah. All problems are to be solved to provide integrated services to citizens, the minister instructed the health inspectors.

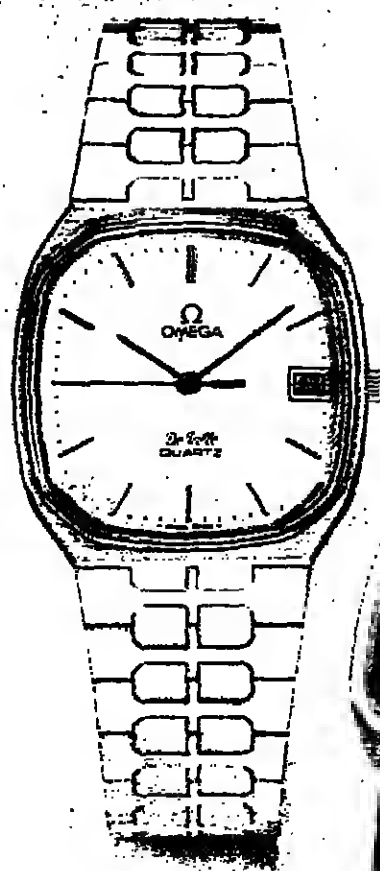
In the Eastern Province, the province's health inspector, Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Suwailm visited all hospitals in the region and took urgent measures to improve services.

Dr. Suwailm is expected back in Riyadh by the weekend to submit a complete report on the conditions of hospitals in the Eastern Province and proposed solutions.

The Western Region's inspector, Dr. Nazeeh Nassif visited Tuesday Makkah's hospitals. Swift remedial decisions were taken regarding cleaning and maintenance.

## Prayer Times

	Makkah	Madinah	Riyadh	Dammam	Buraidah	Tabuk
Thursday						
Fajr (Dawn)	5:04	5:09	4:41	4:30	4:55	5:27
Dhuhr (Noon)	12:05	12:06	11:37	11:24	11:48	12:18
Asr (Afternoon)	3:17	3:14	2:45	2:30	2:54	3:21
Maghreb (Sunset)	5:41	5:38	5:09	4:53	5:17	5:44
Isha (Night)	7:11	7:08	6:39	6:23	6:47	7:14



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## Demonstrated in Jeddah

## Solar-controlled system provides purified water

By Dave Kaiser  
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Nov. 10 — A technique which uses solar energy to convert sea water, salt water or unhygienic water into pure water



Joginder Singh Pali

was demonstrated here Wednesday by its inventor Joginder Singh Pali at the Hotel Alsalam Meridien.

"Using a two square meter unit, any water supply and solar energy I can inexpensively produce 16 liters of pure water per day," Pali explained during the first demonstration of his system to take place in the Kingdom. "This system uses easily accessible parts which make it easy to install and maintain."

A working model of the system was installed ten days ago on the roof of a nearby apartment building under the sponsorship of Mayaz International for Trade, Industry and Contracting. Pali is chairman of Bharat Solar Energy of New Delhi, a firm which has been producing solar-energy related equipment for three years. Pali has a joint agreement to market his products in the Kingdom with

Mayaz International Chairman Prince Abdulrahman ibn Mousaad ibn Abdulrahman Al-Saud.

The system consists of a rectangular box into which water is fed from municipal supply, holding tank, the sea or just about any source. The box is covered with panes of normal window glass and the water level is controlled so that the water is heated by the sun and condenses upon the glass. The resulting pure condensation is collected and routed to a tank or other holding area where it is made constantly available for household use.

"Saudi Arabia is the ideal location for such an installation," Pali explained. "Here pure water is at a premium and solar energy is usually available to make the system operational a majority of the time."

The inventor claims that when compared with the normal amount of bottled water consumed by an average family, his system will pay for itself within eight months to a year.

The small domestic unit demonstrated was described as a "portable unit," which can be moved from place to place.

## Chamber establishes special computerized member service

DAMMAM, Nov. 10 (SPA) — The Eastern Province Chamber of Commerce and Industry has computerized its various economic and commercial services to cope with the increasing number of members. The chamber now services more than 6,000 businessmen and importers.

According to *Al-Iqtisad* magazine the introduction of the computer in the chambers services will improve its performance, especially in developing the information center. The computer will provide statements and statistics with an accurate analysis in Arabic and English languages.

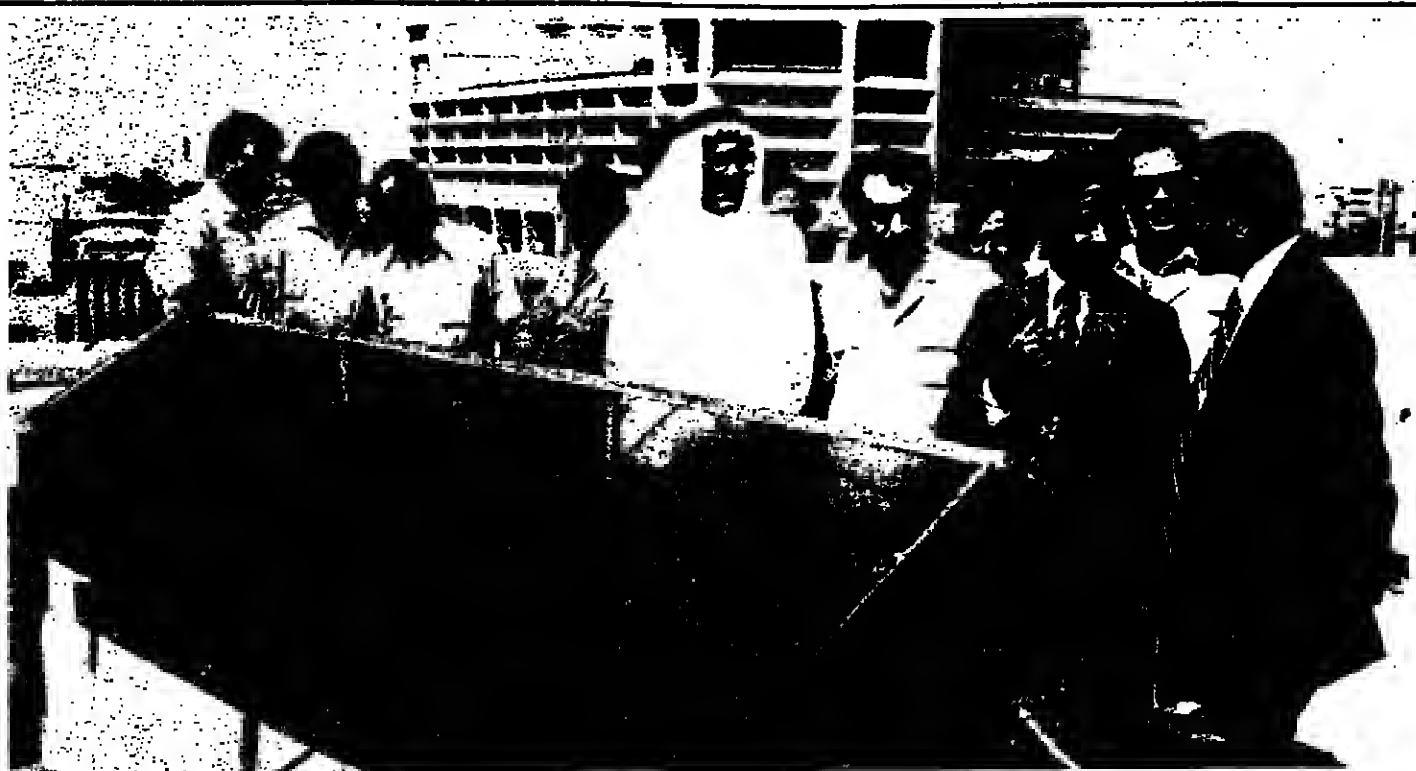
The computer has a capacity for storing 4.8

## Makkah water system test proves successful

MAKKAH, Nov. 10 — A system which would supply large quantities of water to residents here has been tested by the Western Province Water and Sewage Department.

A department spokesman said that testing began Oct. 17 on a system which involves pumping water to all areas of the holy city and using a variable control valve radio system.

Using this method, the spokesman said, water can be pumped in large quantities on an around-the-clock basis. He added that the experiment succeeded despite the fact that only 83,000 cubic meters of water reached



EQUIPMENT DEMONSTRATION: This demonstration model of a solar converter which produces pure water from salt water or unhygienic water has been in use in Jeddah now for almost two weeks. Shown here, left to right, facing panel, Col. Ahmed Al-Shawier, general manager of Mayaz International; Issam Karan, Thama Advertising; Joginder Singh Pali, Bharat Solar Energy; and Ahmed Al-Assar of Al-Madina.



ROVER 3500: Rigorous testing was carried out on this V8 sedan in Bahrain and Dubai before it was introduced to the Kingdom.

## British Leyland celebration launches Olayan Arabian Company expansion

JEDDAH, Nov. 10 — British Ambassador James Craig held a reception Wednesday to celebrate the expansion of British Leyland products in the Kingdom by Olayan Arabian Company. During the reception the new Rover 3500 V8 sedan was launched to join British Leyland's Land Rover, Range Rover and Jaguar lines here.

A spokesman for Olayan said the firm is now poised to enter a new sector of the car market and are confidently optimistic about the sales prospects for the Rover 3500.

"The Rover 3500 has sold well in the U.K. and Europe where it has won every major motoring award for design and safety," the spokesman said. "It has the same reliable engine as the Range Rover, already well known throughout the Gulf. Rover

saloons dominated the recent British Group 1 Saloon Car Races and even the road-going version accelerates from 0-100 kph in just 9 seconds."

Before launching the Rover 3500, British Leyland carried out rigorous testing in Bahrain and Dubai to ensure that the car is entirely suitable for the Gulf region. Special attention was given to cooling and air-conditioning and the development of a new fade-resistant upholstery.

Another interesting Rover 3500 innovation is the "clear over base" paint technique. This process involves bonding a hard transparent lacquer over the base color ensuring the best possible resistance to scratches and color fading and giving the car a deep, durable shine.

## Korean-Saudi cooperation talks planned

JEDDAH, Nov. 10 (SPA) — South Korean Deputy Construction Minister Kwang Yong Lee will pay a visit to the Kingdom this week at the invitation of Communications Minister Hussein Mansouri.

The Korean official will hold talks with Mansouri and other officials of the Communications Ministry on fostering construction and urbanization cooperation between the two countries.

During his week-long visit, Lee will tour Riyadh, Dhahran and Jubail to inspect major road, airport, bridge and tunnel projects. He also will visit the Jeddah-Makkah expressway, flyovers in Jeddah, King Abdul Aziz International Airport and the new King Khaled International Airport of Riyadh.

Lee also is scheduled to see the proposed Gulf flyover in Riyadh, the Jubail industrial project, road projects in the Eastern Province and railroad projects.

## Building show officials expect Saudi ministers

MANAMA, Nov. 10 — Delegations from Saudi Arabia's ministries of housing and planning will be attending Bahrain's third Middle East Building and Construction Show, Arabbuild '82 from Nov. 14-19.

Other Saudi Arabian delegations to the show, which includes the third Middle East Solar Technology conference Soltech '82 are coming from King Abdul Aziz University, the Haj Research Center, the Energy Resources Division at the University of Petroleum and Minerals and from seven Aramco departments.

Arabbuild will be the first show to be held at Bahrain's new exhibition center.

## Committee officials choose street names

JEDDAH, Nov. 10 — More than 10,000 names have been chosen for Jeddah's streets, during the first phase of the city's street, square and district naming project.

Mayor Muhammad Said Farsi said that the names were selected by committees comprising historians and researchers. He added that certain people may contest the names on the grounds that there are others more important; but there are so many streets and names that if they look elsewhere they will probably find the names on their mind.

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## Malaysia criticizes India over Cambodia

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov. 10 (AP) — Foreign Minister Ghazali Shafie said Tuesday night that India's position on Cambodia falls into question its role as chairman of the nonaligned movement.

India may "have gone beyond its limit" in its support of the Vietnamese-installed Heng Samrin regime in Cambodia at the U.N. General Assembly and the Commonwealth heads of government regional meeting in Fiji, he said in a local television interview.

"No matter how India tries to justify its stand, it is obvious that its position as a member and chairman of the nonaligned movement is being affected," he said.

The minister said many nonaligned nations supported the resolution by the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) to keep Democratic Cambodia in the United Nations. He did not specify how many countries.

"This showed that most of the nonaligned members do not support India's policy on

Cambodia. In this respect, where does India stand as the chairman of the nonaligned movement?" he said.

ASEAN — made up of Malaysia, the Philippines, Indonesia, Singapore and Thailand — backs the coalition government of Democratic Cambodia headed by former head of state Prince Norodom Sihanouk. The coalition wants Vietnamese troops out of Cambodia.

Asked if ASEAN would press for the attendance of Sihanouk at the nonaligned summit in New Delhi in March, the minister said that was a secondary issue. He said the important thing was that the association use the summit to get the international community to apply greater pressure on Vietnam and the Soviet Union to accept the resolutions of the international conference on Cambodia.

The U.N.-sponsored conference called for withdrawal of Vietnamese troops and the people of Cambodia to choose their own government.

## Granny glad to get bullets

HUNTINGTON, West Virginia, Nov. 10 (AP) — A 69-year-old woman who was shot six times by a grandson who later committed suicide says she's glad "God let me take those bullets" instead of "a lot of people on the street."

Katherine G. Walker said she doesn't harbor bad feelings for her 30-year-old grandson, Carl F. Meadows, who died a week after he shot her with a .22-caliber pistol. "He was just too tore up," she said Monday. "He wanted to die."

Mrs. Walker is at home recuperating from the Oct. 28 shooting, in which six bullets lodged in her chest. The bullets have not been removed but surgery is planned this week, she said. The woman was found lying outside her home, bleeding, when police arrived that

Thursday evening. Meadows had barricaded himself in a second-floor apartment.

But as police prepared to storm the building, Meadows shot himself once behind the ear. He died Nov. 2. Mrs. Walker said her grandson "was disgusted over not having a job."

Mrs. Walker said she was shot after she walked in on Meadows as he finished a suicide note. "He wrote on the note that he was ready to kill himself when I came in to interrupt him," she said.

Meadows, who had been drinking, struck his grandmother and repeatedly fired the pistol, hitting her with six bullets, Mrs. Walker said. But she said she didn't think her grandson was trying to murder her. She said she was happy she walked in when she did.

## Nigeria calls for racist S. Africa's expulsion from IMF

UNITED NATIONS, Nov. 10 (AP) — A leading opponent of South African policy of racial segregation, or apartheid, called for South Africa's expulsion from the International Monetary Fund.

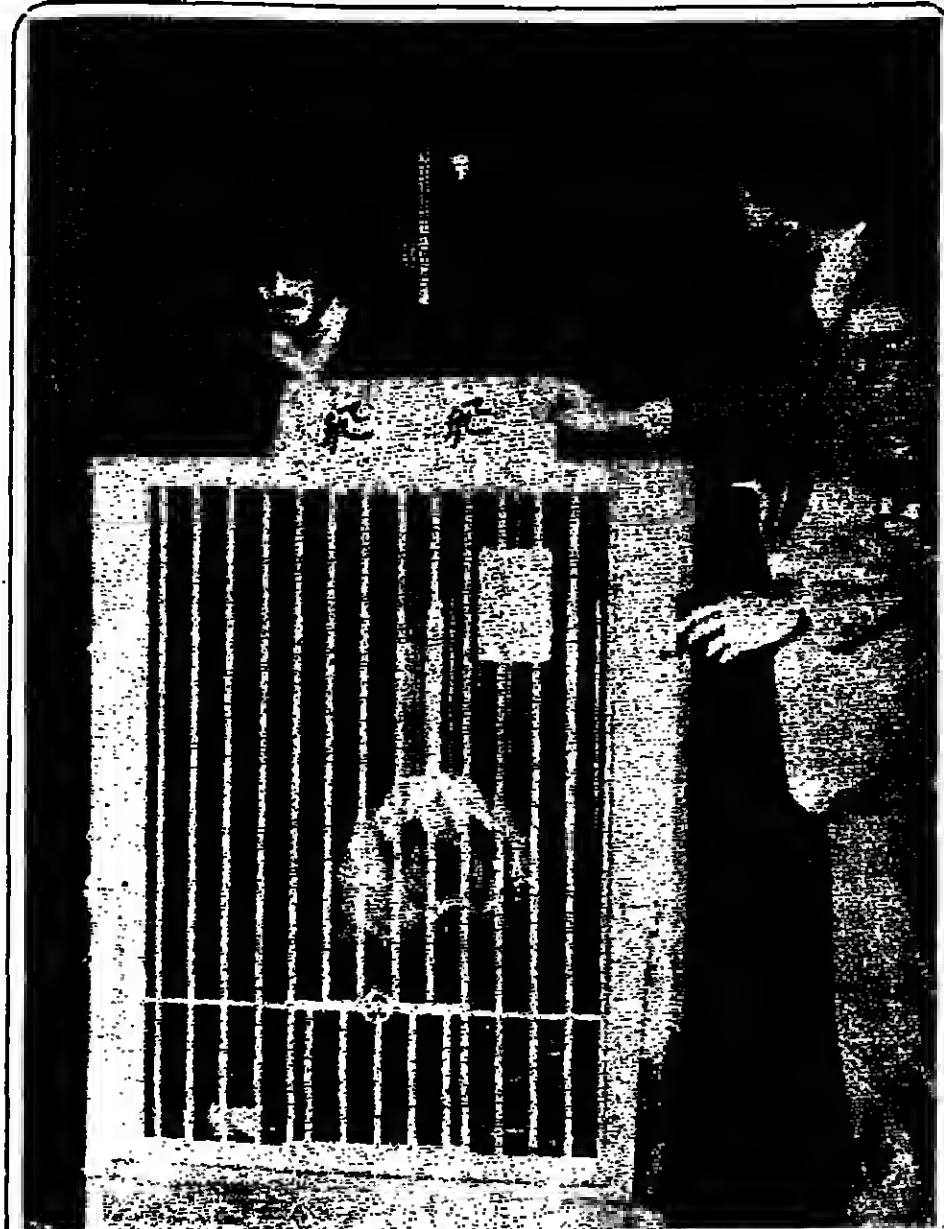
Nigerian Ambassador Yusuf Maitama-Sule, chairman of the U.N. special committee against apartheid, told the U.N. General Assembly in its debate on that system Tuesday.

"We call on the membership of the International Monetary Fund, especially the Western powers, to exclude South Africa forthwith from the IMF so that the IMF would no longer finance the racist regime."

His informal request seemed unlikely to have any effect on the IMF, an independent

specialized agency linked with the United Nations. In deciding in Washington last Wednesday to lend South Africa \$1.07 billion, the fund ignored a resolution urging it not to do so that the General Assembly had adopted 121-3 on Oct. 21. "It is discouraging, to say the least," Maitama-Sule said, "that an agency of the United Nations should finance a regime which is at war with the United Nations."

John Pokela spoke for the Pan Africanist Congress, an anti-apartheid movement outlawed in South Africa. He told the assembly he had spent 13 years in Robben Island Prison. He said that at any time there were about 100,000 persons in South African prisons and over 50 had died in prison.



GOODWILL GIFT: Fei Fei, the panda, is being transported to a zoo in Tokyo Tuesday after its arrival from Peking. The 15-year-old giant panda is a gift of goodwill from China to Japan, marking the tenth anniversary of normalization of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

## Japan rejects Soviet protest

## Viets 'deploy' Backfires

TOKYO, Nov. 10 (AFP) — Long-range supersonic Soviet "Backfire" bombers have been deployed at the Vietnamese naval base of Cam Ranh Bay, the Japanese newspaper *Mainichi* reported Wednesday.

Quoting military sources in Tokyo, the paper said the U.S. military and the U.S. Embassy had recently informed the Japanese government of the deployment, confirmed by satellite surveillance and other means.

This was the first time that the deployment of Backfire bombers has been confirmed at the Vietnamese naval base, where the Soviet military presence has been built up with a dozen Soviet naval ships always at anchor.

The number of the bombers at Cam Ranh Bay was not known, but they were deployed there instead of stopping over on regular shuttle flights from bases in the Soviet far east, sources were quoted as saying.

More than 70 Backfire bombers were reported to be deployed in the Soviet far east, some of them making regular patrols over the Sea of Japan and the Northern Pacific.

U.S. Navy intelligence officials in Washington said Monday that Backfire bombers conducted mock guided missile attacks

on two American aircraft carriers during U.S. Navy fleet drills in the Northern Pacific near the Aleutian Islands on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1. On Sept. 14, 11 Backfire bombers were spotted flying in formation over the Sea of Japan.

Meanwhile, Japan has rejected a Soviet protest against the planned stationing of U.S. F-16 fighter-bombers in northern Japan, the Foreign Ministry said. The protest was delivered Tuesday by the Soviet ambassador here, Vladimir Pavlov, who told the head of the ministry's European affairs bureau, Yoshiya Kato, that the move would cause increased tension in the region, the ministry said.

Pavlov said Moscow viewed the stationing of the F-16s near the Soviet Union's border as a hostile act and would have to take measures to defend itself, the ministry said. Kato told him the protest was unacceptable because the deployment of the U.S. aircraft in Japan was designed as a deterrent under the U.S.-Japan Security Treaty, it said.

Kato told the ambassador the Soviet Union's military buildup in the region was responsible for the complicated situation in the Far East, the ministry said.

## Soviet expert may succeed Huang

PEKING, Nov. 10 (AFP) — Chinese Foreign Minister Huang Hua may hand over his post to Wu Xueqian, a Soviet bloc specialist, at the upcoming meeting of the National People's Congress, Western diplomatic sources here said Wednesday.

The diplomats said reports that Huang, who is nearly 70, might step down have been circulating with the approach of the session of the NPC, the Chinese parliament, expected to be held here this month. The man most often touted as Huang's successor is his chief Vice Minister Wu, who was appointed to this post in May and is considered close to Communist Party General Secretary Hu Yaobang.

Huang, foreign minister since the end of 1976, is thought to be in poor health. He was in hospital at least twice last year and has since told foreign journalists that he was suffering from a urinary infection. The appointment of Wu as top vice foreign minister over the heads of such seasoned diplomats as

Zhang Wenjing or Gong Dafei surprised diplomatic observers.

Wu is more of a "party man" than a diplomat. But while working in various party bodies, he came to focus on relations with foreign Communist parties, chiefly those of the Soviet bloc. In the 1950s, Wu took charge of the international liaison bureau of the League of Communist Youth, then headed by Hu Yaobang. Wu was then assigned to the party international liaison department, where he became one of the vice directors, a post he held until May.

These different posts allowed him to keep in contact over the years with the other major Communist parties which could prove very useful now that Peking and Moscow have resumed talks after nearly three years of silence. If Wu is nominated foreign minister, this could give a new thrust to Chinese diplomacy at a time when Peking is trying to strike a better balance between Moscow and Washington, observers said.

## Peruvians woken up to see execution

LIMA, Peru, Nov. 10 (AP) — Hooded Guerrillas shot and killed three merchants "for collaborating with police" in the small town of Pacucha in southcentral Peru after arousing townspeople from bed to watch the "execution," the civil guard said Tuesday.

The armed band, estimated by townspeople at about 40 guerrillas, was identified by the guard as the Maoist-line organization

Sendero Luminoso (shining path) that seeks to foment a peasant revolution.

The paramilitary guard said the guerrillas attacked the town at 2 a.m. Monday, put the merchants on public trial in the main square and killed them. The guerrillas sacked the merchants' stores before dynamiting the town power plant and escaping. The deaths brought to 103 the number killed in political violence in Peru this year.

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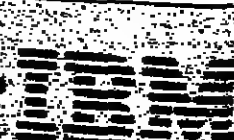
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## U.K. sets terms for talks on Falklands

LONDON, Nov. 10 (AP) — A British government minister told the House of Lords that Argentina must make a "final renunciation of the use of force" before talks on a settlement of the Falkland Islands dispute can begin.

Defense Minister Viscount Trenchard said Tuesday that last week's United Nations General Assembly vote in favor of an Argentine-inspired resolution on fresh sovereignty talks had left him "virtually speechless." The 74-day conflict to oust Argentine occupation forces from the South Atlantic colony ended on June 14, but Britain has rejected any new talks for the time being.

Trenchard said of the U.N. action: "It is hard to understand how so many countries could have so little understanding of the feelings of the victims of aggression or so little regard to the principle of self-determination as to support the Argentine U.N. resolution."

He said he believed that people in many countries, including the United States which voted against Britain and in favor of the resolution, "have still not understood who lives in the Falkland Islands or their history."

But Labor opposition leader Lord Cledwyn said he understood American anxiety to re-establish good relations with Latin America after Washington's support for Britain in the conflict, which began with Argentina's April 2 invasion. Lord Cledwyn said it should now be Britain's aim to re-establish good relations in Latin America.

Trenchard said the government aimed to impress on Americans "that there are not, and virtually never have been, any Argentines in the Falklands."

According to a report from Buenos Aires the three hundred Argentine sailors, previously listed as missing in the sinking of the cruiser *General Belgrano* during the Falklands war, were officially declared dead Tuesday, bringing the final death toll aboard the vessel to 322.

The *General Belgrano*, Argentina's second largest warship, sank in the icy waters off the tip of South America on May 2 after being hit by two torpedoes fired by the British submarine *Conqueror*.

Of the 1,042 officers and men aboard the ship, 720 were rescued from lifeboats and 22 were found dead. The remaining 300 had been listed as missing.

The naval high command said the decision to declare the missing men legally dead was based on the impossibility of survival "given the weather conditions, the height of the seas, the water temperature and other circumstances."

### Defense spending stays

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10 (R) — The White House strongly reaffirmed President Reagan's commitment to big increases in defense spending and his opposition to public works programs as a way of fighting rising unemployment.

Deputy Press Secretary Larry Speakes backed a statement by Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger that cutting military spending, as demanded by Democrats in Congress, would not solve the current rate of 10.4 percent unemployment. "Cuts in defense spending won't help unemployment," Speakes said. "Defense spending makes jobs."

### Cholera hits Singapore

SINGAPORE, Nov. 10 (AP) — Singapore has been designated a cholera-infected area following an outbreak of the disease among foreign construction workers employed here, a Health Ministry spokesman said Wednesday.

Those infected include 13 Malaysians and a 8 Thais employed at two construction projects who were stricken in the last 11 days. Other workers at the sites were being screened and the outbreak is considered under control, the spokesman said.

## U.S. to aid plane research

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10 (AP) — The Reagan administration, reversing course, promised to support research into the development of more sophisticated airplanes.

Two years ago the administration started the aviation industry by proposing sharp cuts in aeronautics research and implying that the industry had little more to offer to justify vast U.S. government support.

The administration suggested that aeronautics was a "sunset industry" with little more to offer in terms of improvements. But George A. Keyworth, President Ronald Reagan's science adviser, made clear to the industry Tuesday that it really was a sunrise industry and that government research dollars would continue to be available.

"Clearly, there is still plenty of return to be gained on investments in aeronautics research and technology," he declared after announcing the result of a six-month study of the issue. Keyworth was referring to projects beyond current military work such as the Stealth bomber, designed to be nearly invisible to enemy radars in the 1990s. Research on that has been under way for years.

Rather, the question is one of "next generation" technology. Examples would be highly maneuverable jet fighters with forward-swept wings made of advanced materials such as boron-fiber composites, new turboprop engines with curved propellers

## Mozambican 'copter downed

LISBON, Nov. 10 (AP) — Rightist Mozambican rebels have claimed they shot down a military helicopter killing all three crew members in their escalating guerrilla campaign against the government of President Samora Machel.

In a separate operation, the Mozambique National Resistance said it had released 7 Portuguese, including a child, seized in a raid on the Zimbabwe-Mozambique oil pipe line on Oct. 12.

The rebels' Lisbon-based spokesman, Evo Fernandes, said guerrillas had used a "Sam 7" ground-to-air missile to shoot down a Soviet-built Mi8 helicopter in the central tea-growing province of Zambezi last Sunday.

The rebels found three uniformed bodies in the wreckage, he said. Fernandes stressed there was no connection between the missile incident and the crash of a civilian Jet Ranger 206 helicopter in the same region last Saturday.

The Mozambique official news agency said an inquiry had been started into the causes of the Jet Ranger accident in which a Mozambican pilot and radio operator along with two unidentified foreigners died.

The 7 Portuguese captives — three pipeline workers, their wives and a child —

## French neutron test said successful

PARIS, Nov. 10 (AFP) — French Defense Minister Charles Hernu has disclosed that he attended a neutron bomb experiment at France's Mururoa Atoll nuclear testing site in the South Pacific in August last year.

Hernu, who Tuesday presented the 1983 defense budget, described last year's neutron experiment as "successful." But Defense Ministry officials stressed that the experiment involved the firing of the neutron bomb mechanism alone and did not involve the actual explosion of a neutron bomb.

Hernu said at a press conference Tuesday that France was "perfectly capable" of building and deploying the neutron bomb and would have the necessary launching equipment should French production of the new weapon be decided.

French experiments of the neutron bomb

## U.S. nurse charged with poisoning

ST. LOUIS, Missouri, Nov. 10 (AP) — An unemployed nurse charged with poisoning her husband with antifreeze was denied insurance benefits in the death of a previous husband because she forged papers identifying her as the beneficiary, a St. Louis newspaper reported.

In a copyright story, *The St. Louis Globe-Democrat* said Shirley G. Allen, 40, tried to collect \$17,000 in life insurance on a policy taken out on her fourth husband, Daniel E. Null, after he died from an apparent heart attack Feb. 17, 1978.

Null's death came under investigation after Mrs. Allen was arrested in the poisoning

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In the study, Keyworth said, a special White House task force examined the potential public benefits of continued aeronautics research programs and whether the government should continue to provide money for them.

"We got a resounding response to our question of whether returns on (aeronautics) research were diminishing. I can say with confidence that they are not," Keyworth said. "As a consequence we see no alternative but continued government support if we expect to maintain the level of research and technology demanded by national interests."

Keyworth said the findings of the White House study group would play a key part in determining the aviation research budget at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the Defense Department and the Federal Aviation Administration for the 1984 fiscal year beginning next Oct. 1.

The White House last year tried to cut back aeronautics research money at NASA to \$232 million for the current fiscal year. Congress balked and raised it to \$280 million. The amount of research funds to be available for fiscal 1984 are still being worked out, Keyworth said, but that he doubted any cuts would be recommended.

were freed early Tuesday in the Tamandari region of Zimbabwe near Mozambique's western frontier.

He claimed they had been released outside Mozambique for their own safety because government troops might kill them in an attempt to incriminate the MNR.

But diplomats in Lisbon saw the move as a show of the rebels' strength on the day President Machel returned from security talks with Prime Minister Robert Mugabe of Zimbabwe.

Fernandes said the Portuguese had been freed unconditionally in response to a plea from the International Red Cross. The Portuguese ambassador in the Zimbabwean capital, Harare, was informed of the release point previously, he said. Ambassador Luis Martins confirmed the release of the captives.

Neither the MNR or the Mozambican news agency were able to confirm an earlier report from the Portuguese news service, ANOP, that government troops had freed 6 Bulgarians held hostage by the rebels since August.

Allowing for the release of the Portuguese and the Bulgarians the MNR now holds at least 6 other foreign captives as part of its scare-strategy against foreign advisers and technicians.

had been "crowned with success," he said, insisting that all studies and tests of the weapon had been carried out by French scientists and engineers, with no help from the United States. But he said the decision to build the bomb had not been taken. "That is in the president's domain, but the question remains the subject of studies to which we are particularly attentive," he said.

In presenting next year's defense budget, Hernu said that France would continue its nuclear deterrent effort and that despite a 3,300 million franc (about \$458 million) cut in military spending, was "giving up nothing" in its defense program. Mururoa Atoll was the scene of a nuclear pollution controversy last year when radioactive debris on the shores of the atoll were swept-out to sea.

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The U.S. dollar continues to rise steadily at the expense of other Western currencies and those which are tied to them. The result has been adverse, to say the least, and some European currencies like the French franc and the pound sterling have been battered to all-time lows. The lower they get the more deposits are withdrawn from them in favor of the dollar. But there is obvious danger here. The dollar just cannot go on rising at this rate without stopping somewhere. It is making American goods and products less competitive than before while, at the same time, weakening the currencies of the non-Communist world and, therefore, the economies of relatively friendly states.

Those who are rushing into dollar deposits had better reconsider because some day may come soon when the U.S. government will decide to let the dollar fall so that it may reduce the overall amount that it must pay back in interest rates to depositors.

This has happened before and there is no good reason why it should not happen again as the mountain of payable interest begins to dawn on the American government. Those who have a lot of money to spare will be wiser to invest it at home or diversify their deposits. Putting all the eggs in one basket has always been a mistake. It could be even worse in this context.

## INTELLIGENCE CRACK

Geoffrey Prime was sentenced yesterday by a British court to 35 years imprisonment for spying for the Soviet Union. That is the maximum permitted under British law for such treason.

This is not the first case of its kind nor will be the last. But it does point out to a serious miscarriage of British intelligence in that the man was serving in the country's principal eavesdropping center against the Soviet Union for many years and yet it had been flagrantly penetrated.

It may take some time to assess the extent of the damage that had been done to Western intelligence and counter-intelligence and it is not much of a credit to British counter-espionage that Prime had been discovered and arrested. He was primarily arrested on charges of assaulting little girls. When he was dragged to the police station his wife found the spying materials and code under his bed. Like a good Britisher, she alerted the police. That is about the only redeeming feature of this gory story.

## Saudi Arabian press review

The third Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) summit in Bahrain was the main topic for editorial comment in Wednesday's newspapers.

Al-Yam said the GCC summit aims at realizing the Gulf people's aspirations and formulating a collective strategy to "face challenges endangering not only the Gulf countries, but also the Arab and Islamic nation."

The council had made big strides in a very short span of time in establishing Gulf Arab solidarity," it said.

Al-Nadwa supported King Fahd's call to ensure a maximum degree of cooperation and coordination among member states in the political, social, economic, security and military fields to enable them to confront challenges threatening their achievements and the region's stability.

Al-Madina highlighted the Saudi monarch's recent statement in which he stressed that the summit was not only meant for the

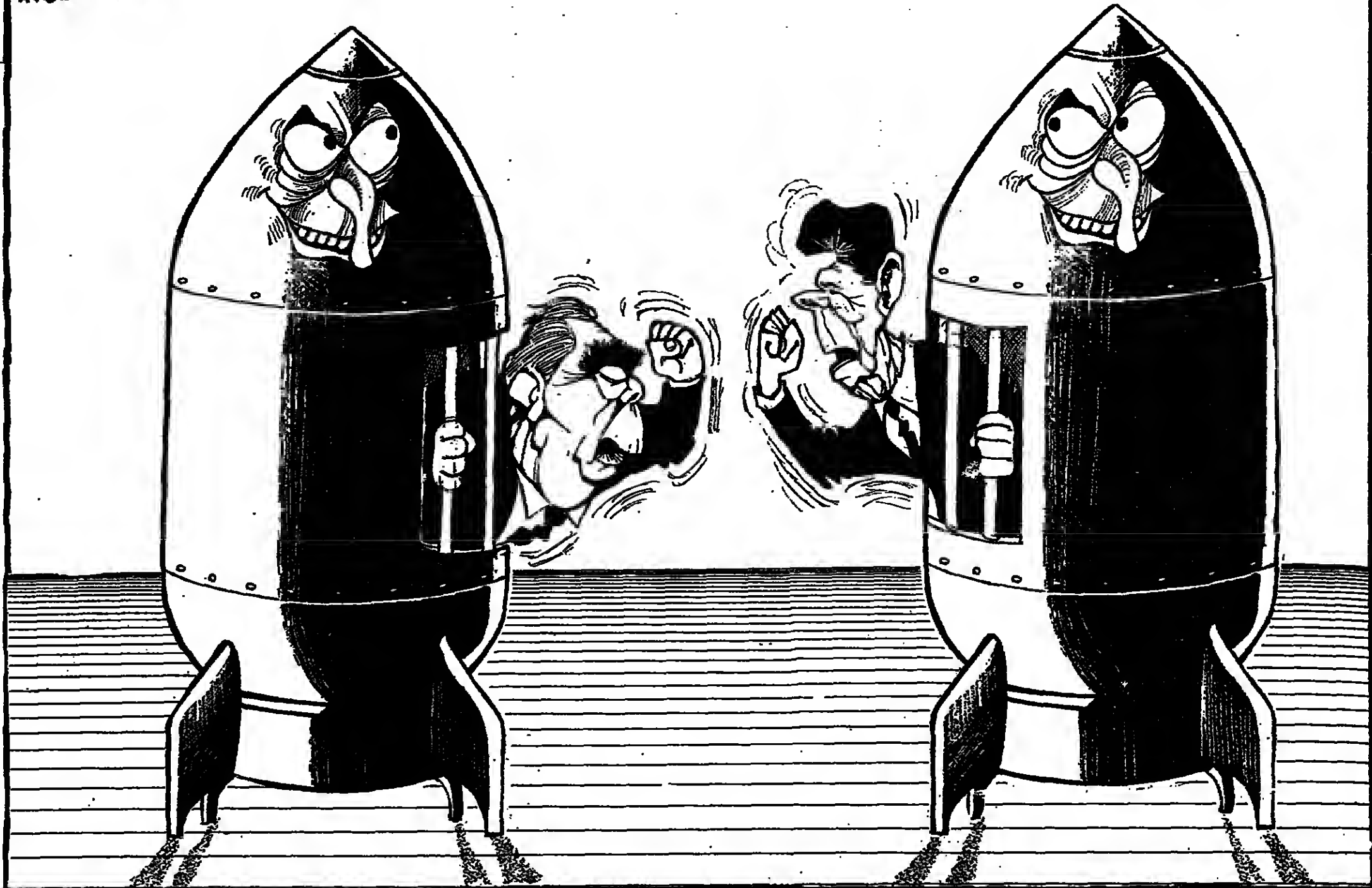
region's welfare alone but also for the well-being of all other brotherly Arab and Islamic states. The paper deplored the continuation of the Iraq-Iran war saying it threatened the region's security and stability.

Al-Jazirah described the summit as a "historic event" which would have its positive impact on international relations and help in enhancing Arab and Islamic capabilities.

Al-Riyadh said the council's achievements in a record time were only the initial fruits of its gigantic efforts to safeguard the region's stability, ensure its progress and welfare and protect Arab and Islamic interests.

Al-Bilad said the Gulf leaders should devise measures to put an immediate end to the Iraq-Iran war. The paper expressed hope that the summit would endorse a joint defense plan to safeguard the region's security and stability and keep it away from superpower conflict. (SPA)

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## Beirut massacre probe reveals deep Israeli involvement

By David Rogers

After sitting for three weeks, the judicial commission probing the Beirut massacre of Palestinians has now questioned the main witnesses and revealed deep Israeli involvement. Initial claims that Israel's role was confined to allowing Phalangist militia to enter the refugee camps have crumbled under cross-examination.

Although most of the findings have been cleared, there has been sufficient public testimony to provide a clear picture of Israel's part in the planning and monitoring of the operation.

Politicians have persisted in claiming that there was no way the tragedy could have been foreseen. But the generals have admitted they feared a civilian slaughter was possible when Israel sent Christian Phalangists into the Sabra and Shatila camps with orders to root out Palestinian commandos.

TEL AVIV —

The inquiry transcripts reveal numerous contradictions in testimony. Perhaps most damaging, there is evidence that casts doubt on Israel's statements that it stopped the killing immediately it was apparent the Phalangists had run amok.

One of the most dramatic disclosures of the inquiry came Monday when Prime Minister Menachem Begin's testimony indicated he and his cabinet colleagues overlooked warnings of a blood-bath.

Reading from official cabinet minutes, the commissioners disclosed that Army Chief Rafael Eitan told the government the Phalangists were bent on revenge following the assassination two days earlier of their leader Bashir Gemayel. "I see it in their eyes...they are sharpening their knives," Eitan informed the cabinet on Sept. 16.

At the time he delivered his chillingly accurate prediction, the operation had been underway a few hours. According to the testimony heard so far, only one cabinet member — Deputy Prime Minister David Levy — aired fears of a massacre and nobody

suggested the Phalangists be pulled out of the camps.

Begin testified there was no debate on the matter at that meeting and Eitan's warnings did not set off "a red light."

Begin told the commission he was given no advance notification that the army was sending Phalangists into the camps as part of its move into West Beirut. Begin also claimed that he had no clue of the massacre until Saturday, Sept. 18, two days after the killing started.

"Even if the factual facts as the premier presented them to the commission are accepted as valid, the public cannot help but ponder how it was that Begin was so uninformed," the *Jerusalem Post* said Tuesday. "Did he prefer it to be so? Did he choose not to ask and not to be informed?" the newspaper asked.

While Begin spent only 45 minutes under questioning, the three-man commission has been far more detailed in its interrogation of officers and intelligence experts who were on the spot. Front-

line commanders have described how they liaised with Phalangist officers before the operation, pledging Israeli troops would provide covering fire if the militia ran into resistance.

Because he feared a slaughter, one general said he set up special lookout posts and arranged to monitor Phalangist radio messages. According to Brig. Gen. Amos Yaron, a paratroop commander, he received the first disturbing report as early as Thursday night when a Phalangist signal was intercepted telling the militia in the camps to carry out the operation.

The next morning, one tank officer testified, he saw Phalangists kill five women and children in Shatila camp. He was told by his commander not to intervene.

Yaron said that later on Friday morning, the Phalangists were instructed by the Israelis to halt the operation. But they were allowed to replace their units in the camp and provided with a military bulldozer. That afternoon, he testified, Chief-of-Staff Eitan met Phalangist commanders, congratulated them on their work and gave them until 5 a.m. on Saturday to leave the refugee camps.

Yaron told the commission the Phalangists were eventually ordered to wind up their operation because of American pressure. This appeared to flatly contradict the testimony of Defense Minister Ariel Sharon, who said Israeli forces stopped the Phalangists as soon as they discovered what was happening.

Unlike Yaron, Sharon said the army had no clear idea of what was going on because they were not close enough to the camps. The other big contradiction between the minister and his generals is Sharon's assertion that nobody in the entire defense establishment foresaw what might happen.

Despite what was said at the Sept. 16 cabinet meeting, Begin also testified "it did not occur to anyone...to think the Phalangists would commit atrocities."

At times Monday, the commission appeared almost incredulous at how little attention Begin and his cabinet paid to the possible consequences of allowing Phalangists into the camps so soon after Bashir Gemayel's assassination. The inquiry, headed by Chief Justice Yitzhak Kahan, seems to be nearing the end of its hearings, but it may be several more months before its possibly explosive report is ready. (R)

## Letters to the editor

On Marcos' proposal

This is a rejoinder to Mr. Ligorio (Toting) GM Naval's letter regarding Marcos' proposal. It is true that if Marcos concedes to the will of the opposition party to cut short his term just to accommodate the 12-party opposition coalition is unconstitutional and undemocratic. But since when did we enjoy democracy in its entirety after the Marcos takeover some years back, especially when martial law and hundreds are still behind bars as political prisoners or otherwise?

I want to remind you that this is not the will of the opposition but of Marcos after the opposition stood against Marcos' proposal making the "executive committee" as overseer of the government while he is on leave. Don't you think that the tables of "another dog but different collar" will surge again?

Holding presidential election together with the national assembly down to the local officials is just a waste of time and money. Marcos' approval to cut short his term raised some speculation that he will again place the opposition in quandary and deny it the chance of putting up candidates.

There has never been a fair election during the Marcos regime. Rampant vote buying, goonsterism and military irregularities in polling centers and other frauds periodically occur in every election. And as practiced, the ruling party overrules the other opposition parties because they utilize all government machineries and funds to ensure an "overwhelming victory."

What we need now is a re-orientation of our constituent's values. But if there is an urgent need for an election, then, there must be a total revitalization and reorganization of the whole system, especially the purging of all the commissioners of the COMELEC who are "henpecked" of Marcos, and only then can we be assured of a clean, fair and honest election.

James C. Arana, Jr.  
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## Philippine politics

Sir,

I respect the view of Mr. Ligorio Naval about Philippine politics and I have nothing but praise for your newspaper for reporting on such a foreign political issue.

However, I disagree with Mr. Naval's bringing his country's political problems to the Kingdom. This sacred place is certainly not the proper forum to discuss political repressions which can provoke other people. Let such matters be discussed by people of other nationalities.

In my opinion, anything that touches on the Philippine political indecency has no place in this country. Saudi Arabia is too sacred to be a forum for Philippine political hoaxes and lies.

Oscar A. Padua  
Holy Makkah



ISRAELI ROLE: The probe into the massacre of civilian Palestinians in the Sabra and Shatila refugee camps in West Beirut has unveiled deep Israeli involvement in the carnage which was carried out by right-wing Phalangist militiamen. The Chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization Yasser Arafat in an interview with Arab News has held the United States and Israel responsible for the massacre.

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1778 — British forces take St. Lucia, West Indies, from French.

1836 — Chile declares war on Peru-Bolivia federation.

1918 — World War I armistice is signed between allies and Germany.

1964 — Food shortages in India provoke riots in Kerala state.

1965 — Ian Smith declares Rhodesian independence and Britain says regime is illegal.

1971 — China's chief delegates in United Nations arrive in New York City amid tight security arrangements. U.S. Senate ratifies treaty to return island of Okinawa to Japan.

1972 — The United States turns over its big base at Long Binh to South Vietnamese, symbolizing end of direct U.S. participation in Vietnam war.

1973 — Egypt and Israel sign ceasefire agreement sponsored by the United States and begin discussions to carry out the pact.

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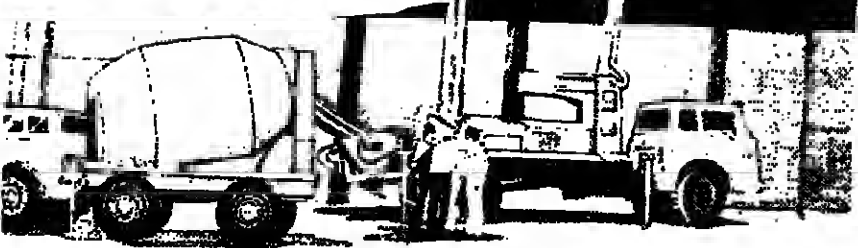
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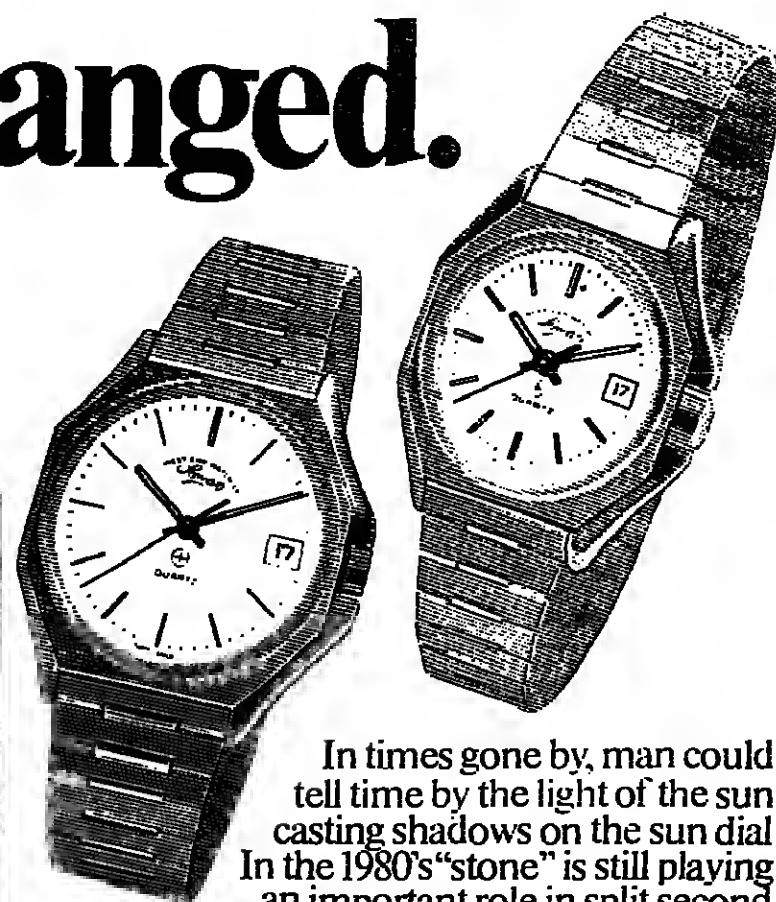
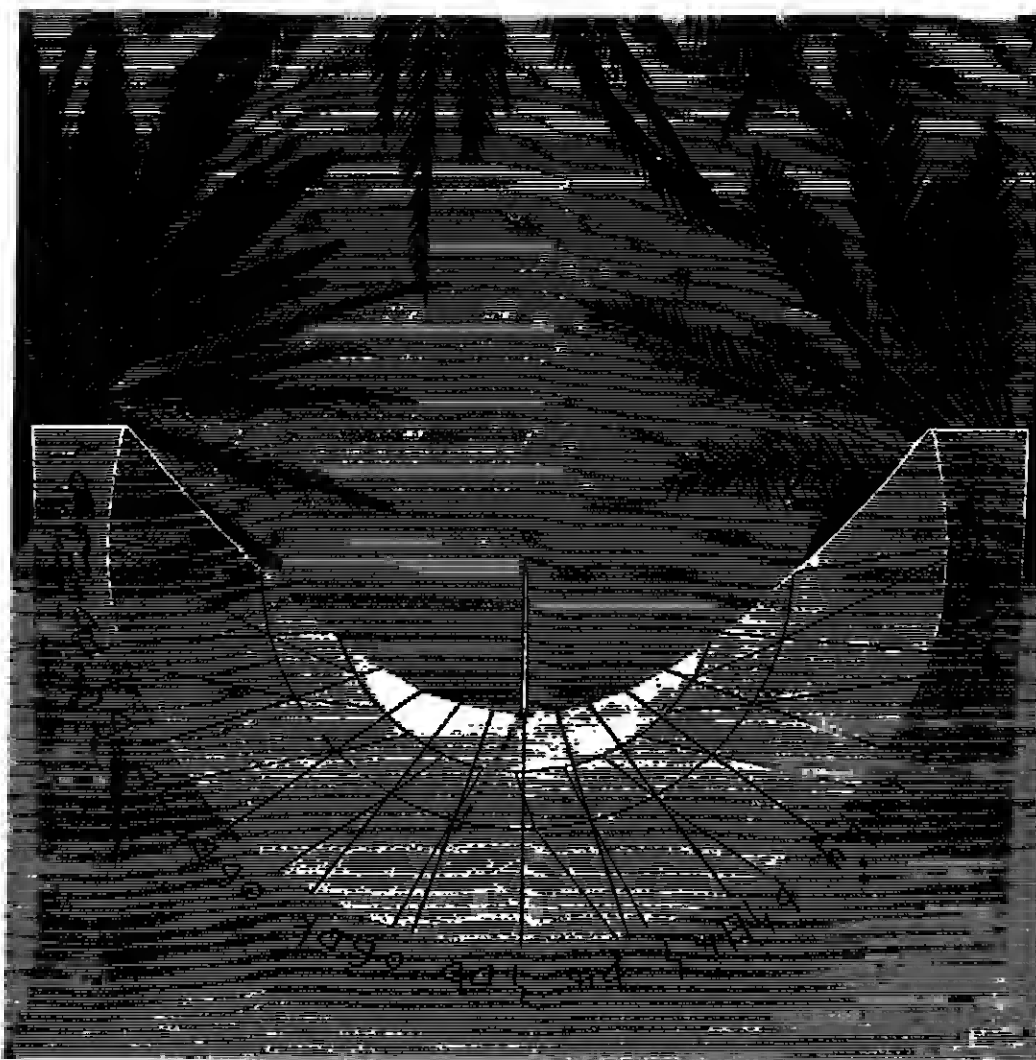
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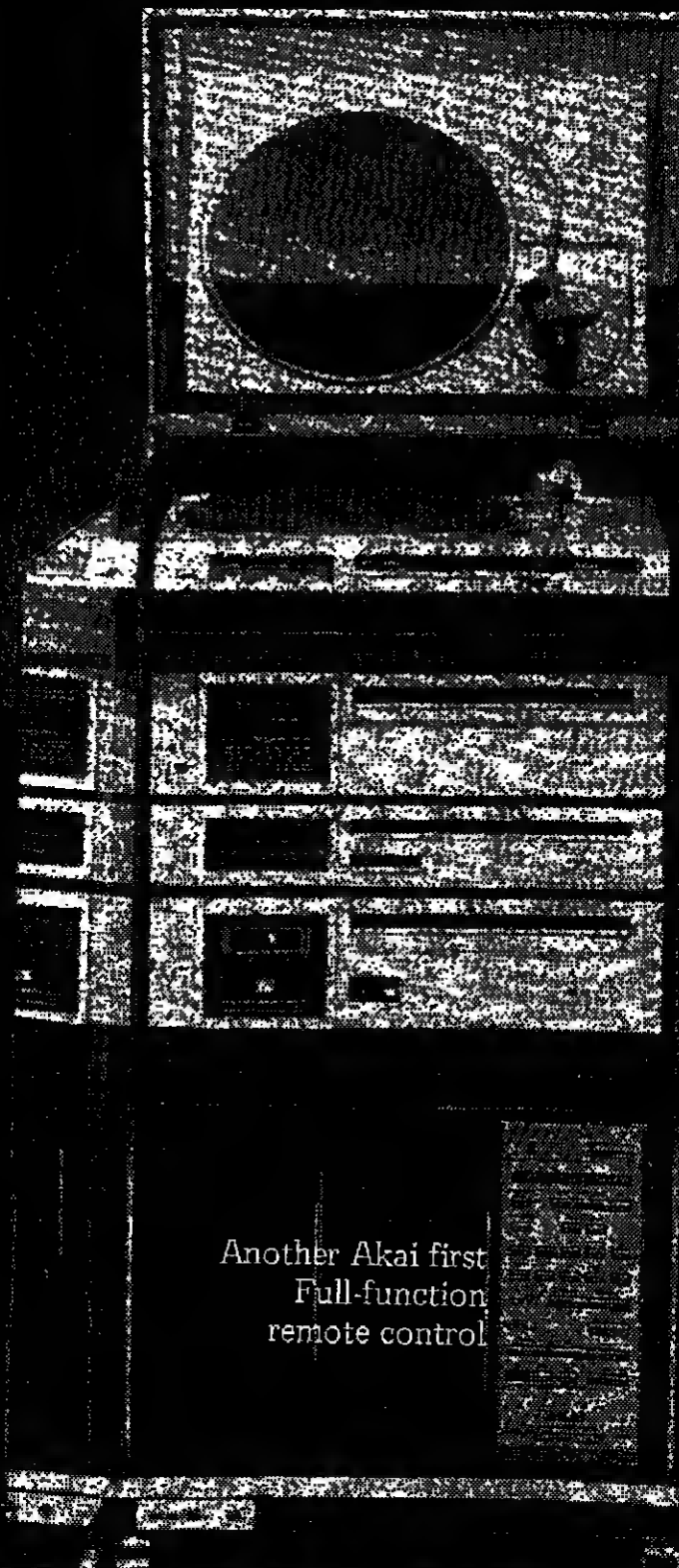
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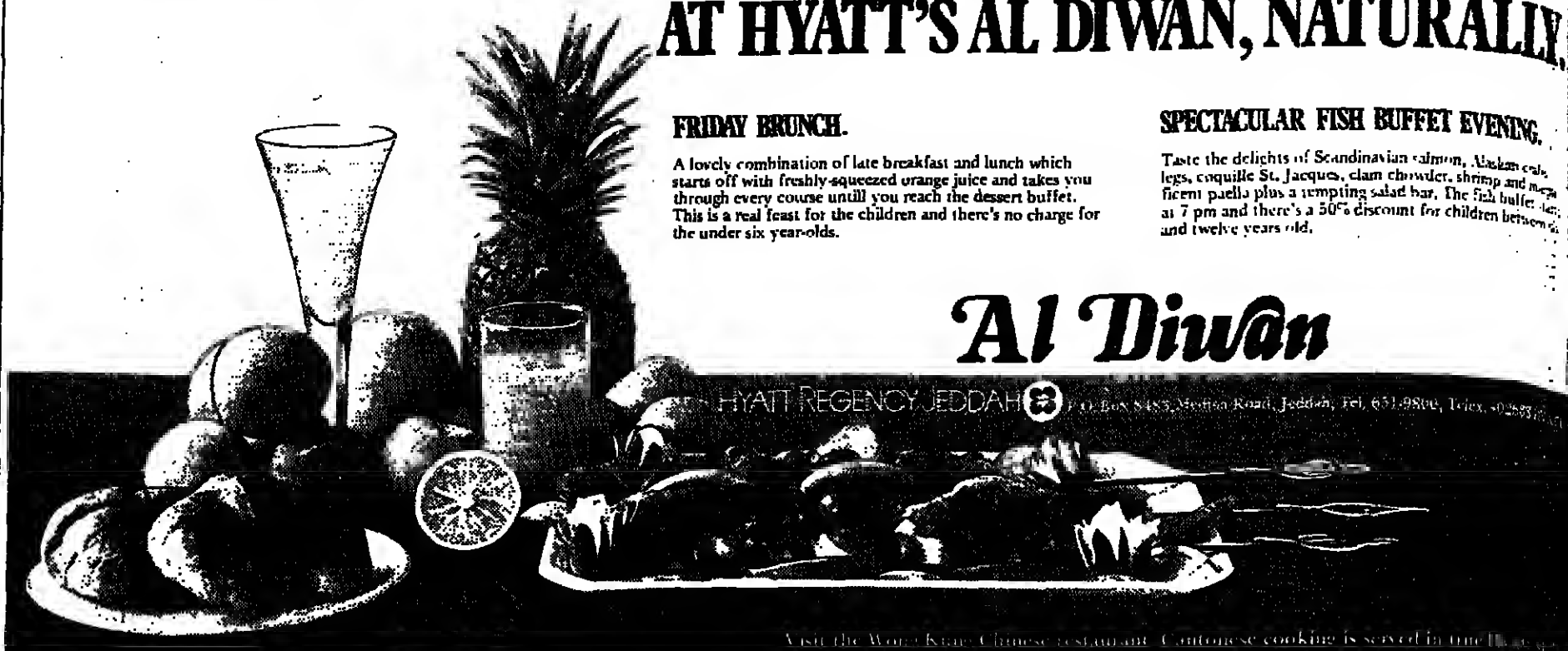
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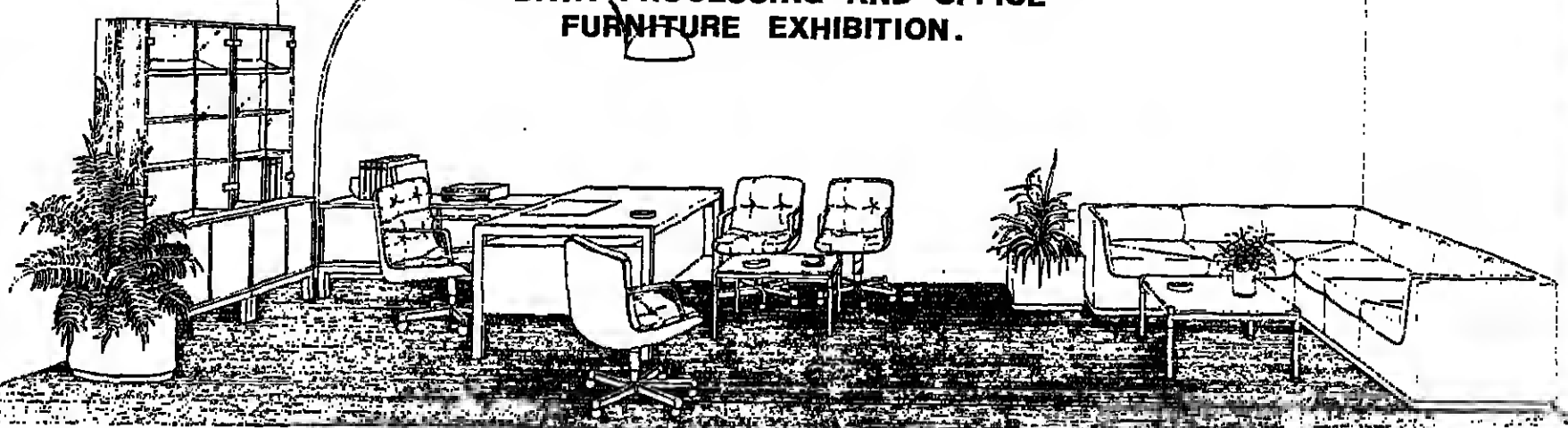
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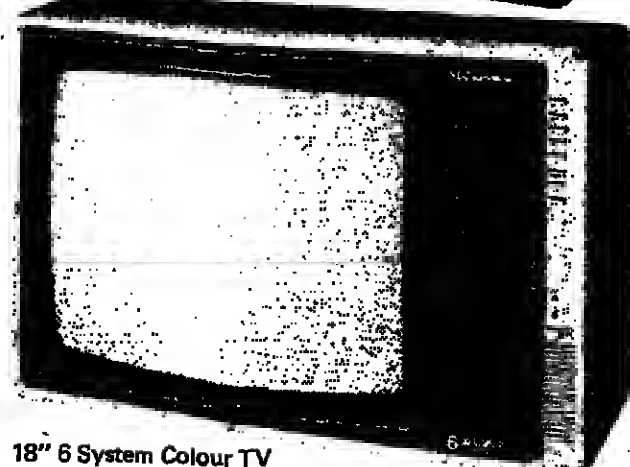
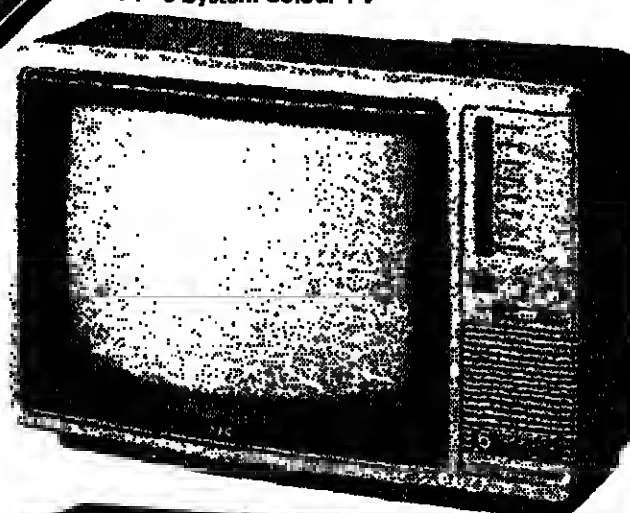
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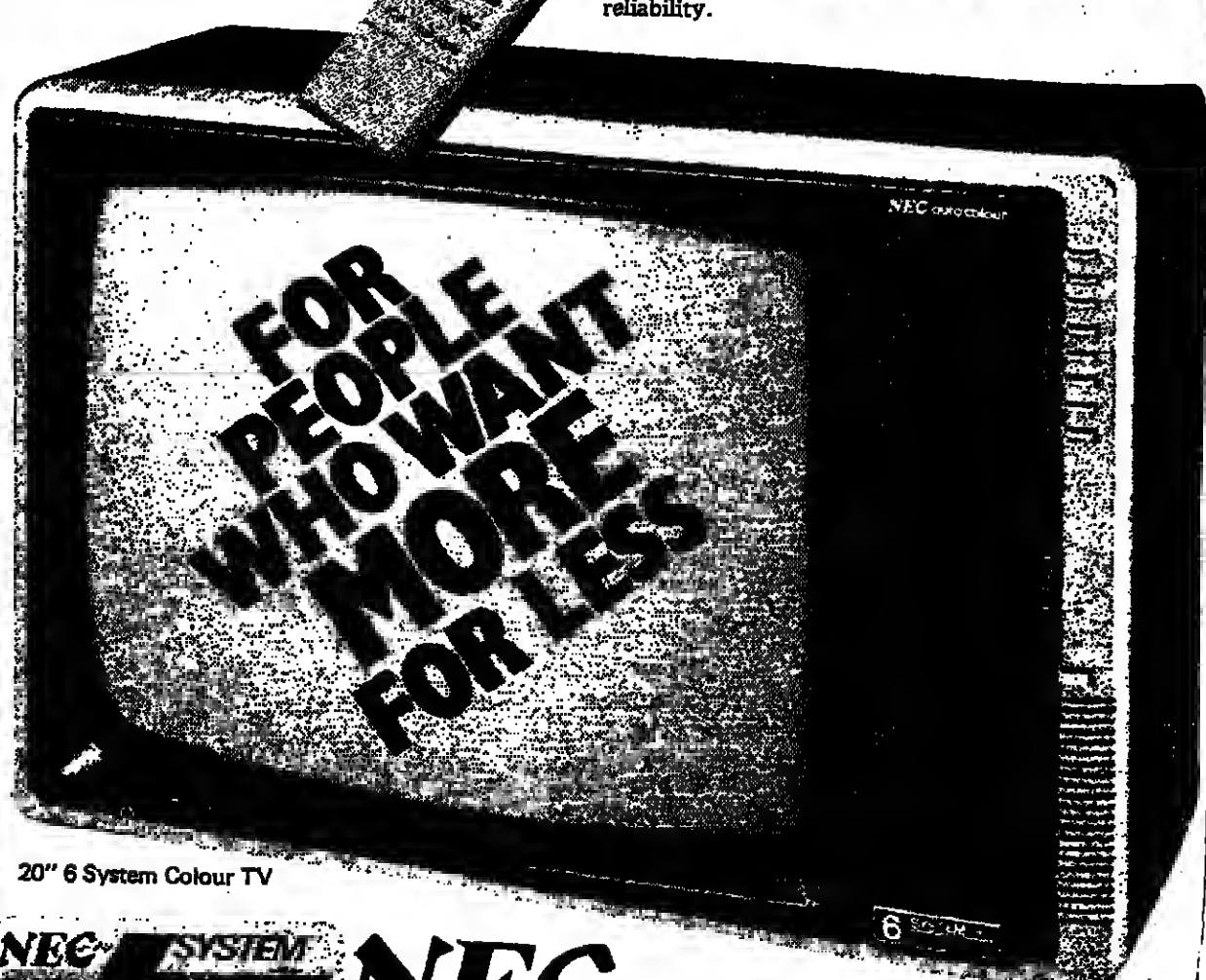
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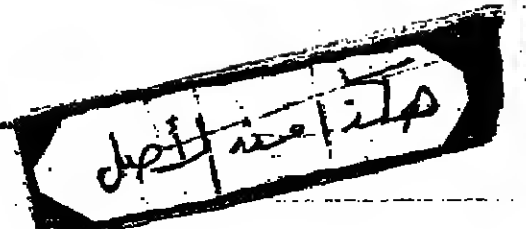
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## With Matthews' basket at the buzzer

## Hawks take shine off Nuggets

NEW YORK, Nov. 10 (AP) — Beware of the Atlanta Hawks when they have a shot at the final buzzer with the outcome still in doubt.

On Tuesday night, for the second game in a row, they got a game-winning basket from long range with no time left on the clock.

This time, guard Wes Matthews hit a 24-foot (7-m) three-pointer to give the Hawks a 106-105 victory over the Denver Nuggets. On Saturday, Steve Hawes connected on a 22-footer (6-m) for a 95-93 decision over Detroit.

Billy McKinney had given the Nuggets a 105-103 lead with just three seconds to go with an 18-foot-jumper (5-m), but Matthews got an unhindered shot from behind team-mate Dan Roundfield's pick to give Atlanta the victory. "I felt nothing but joy, pure joy," Matthews said.

Other National Basketball Association games, it was Portland 111, Golden State 96; Los Angeles 139, Kansas City 117; Phoenix 109, Houston 91; Seattle 112, Chicago 111; New York 100, San Diego 95; San Antonio 104, Utah 104; Detroit 108, Washington 105; New Jersey 84, New York 82.

There were 17 ties and 13 lead changes in Atlanta-Denver game, and the Nuggets nearly reach the century mark until there were 55 seconds left in the game, their 123rd.

## Two seeds axed in World Squash

LONDON, Nov. 10 (R) — New Zealand's Stuart Davenport and Australia's Chris Dittmar overcame seeded players in the second round of the World Open Squash Championship Tuesday.

Davenport, 20, turned in an outstanding performance to beat ninth seed Gawn Briers, Britain's main hope, 9-7, 6-9, 9-6, 2-9, 9-5 in a match in Leeds lasting one hour and 34 minutes. The New Zealander set a furious pace to try to sap the Briton's energy, but Briers rallied to take the match to a fifth game and saved two match balls before bowing out.

The other seed to fall was Magdi Saad of Egypt, ranked 14th, who went out in five games against Dittmar, runner-up in this year's World Junior Championship. Dittmar, playing in Bradford, fought his way to a spectacular victory from two games down and saved four match balls in the third game.

Other results: Lars Kvant (Sweden) beat Simon Rolington (Britain) 9-6, 9-2, 9-2; Steve Bowditch (Australia) beat Bryan Pearson (Britain) 9-7, 9-7, 9-3; Maqsood Ahmed (Pakistan) beat Ashley Naylor (Britain) 9-4, 9-5, 9-6; Qamar Zaman (Pakistan) beat Moussa Helal (Egypt) 9-1, 9-2, 9-2; Dean Williams (Australia) beat Gogi Alauddin (Pakistan) 9-2, 9-1, 9-4.

straight with 100 or more. The NBA record is held by the San Antonio Spurs with 129.

"This was a tough one to lose because we battled all night and hung in there," Nuggets coach Doug Moe said.

The fourth quarter, which started with the two teams deadlocked 73-73, was a scoring duel between Roundfield, who had 13 of his team-high 27 points for Atlanta in the period, and Kild Vandeweghe, who had 12 of his 24 for Denver.

Alex English, who led all scorers with 30 points, tied the game at 101 with 55 seconds left and then put Denver ahead 103-101 with two free throws at the 32-second mark.

Roundfield tied the game with a turnaround jumper with 21 seconds left, setting up the last-gasp heroics by McKinney and Matthews.

Pistons 108, Bulls 105: Kelly Tripucka scored 27 points for Detroit and wiped out a 105-104 Washington lead on two free throws with 12 seconds remaining.

Isiah Thomas scored eight points in a 60-second span to help the Pistons take a 102-95 lead with 5:07 to play, but Washington responded with a 10-2 spurt to go ahead 105-104 on a basket by John Lucas. Then Tripucka and Kent Benson hit two free throws apiece to complete the scoring.

Sonics 112, Bulls 111: Jack Sikma scored 21 points, including two free throws with 12 sec-

onds remaining to supply the winning margin, as Seattle stayed unbeaten at 7-0.

Spurs 118, Jazz 104: Mike Mitchell scored 25 points, 18 of them in the second quarter, as San Antonio had four players with more than 20 points against Utah. George Gervin, Gene Banks and Artis Gilmore added 22 points each for the Spurs, who improved their record to 6-1. Darrell Griffith scored 26 points for the Jazz, now 1-5.

Pacers 100, Clippers 95: Rookie Terry Cummings had 32 points and 24 rebounds for winless San Diego, but Indiana's top first-year man, Clark Kellogg, responded with 23 points and 17 rebounds.

Lakers 139 Kings 117: Norm Nixon's 20 points led seven Lakers in double figures as Los Angeles routed Kansas City.

## Nystrom strikes late for Islanders

NEW YORK, Nov. 10 (AP) — Bob Nystrom scored two power-play goals to trigger the New York Islanders to a 4-1 victory over the St. Louis Blues in the National Hockey League Tuesday night.

At the end of the second period the teams were tied 1-1 but in the third period, the Islanders found the mark three times to come out victors.

In another match, strong work in the net by Montreal goalkeeper Richard Sevign,



Alex English...toils in vain

keyed the Canadians to a 3-2 victory over the Minnesota North Stars. Montreal took a 2-1 lead in the first period and maintained a goal lead in the next when each scored a goal. The third period ended blank.

In yet another match in Calgary, Jim Peplinski scored a goal and assisted on another as the Calgary Flames put it across the Los Angeles Kings.

## Masood slams ton in Aramco Abqaiq's win

By a Staff Writer

about made it past Combined Cricket Club by three wickets at Aziziyah ground.

The Eagles fared no worse after the travel. They made the first use of the strip and in their usual style began amassing runs at will. It was the turn of Hassan Ali to sparkle with his bat. He cut and drove with elegance and took his individual score to 93 before falling to a rash stroke.

While Hassan was in a plundering mood, Shoaib Ahmed pieced up his innings of 30 with judicious strokes. But Petromin broke into the game briefly when Khalid Nahi, who finished with five for 64, ran through the Eagles' middle order. However, Petromin's gains were only in this period.

Their aspirations of shooting out the Eagles within the 250 mark were torn to pieces by Eagles' skipper Khalid Khan. Khalid hit up a whirlwind unbeaten 32, with 28 of these runs coming in the last over from the quantum of 30. And the hapless bowler was Vinod Rao.

Khalid began his onslaught with a crashing shot to the fence, and then struck two towering sixers. He followed it with three crisp strokes to the fence to leave Rao's figures in ruins.

Petromin began their reply badly with Eagles' strike bowler Alauddin sending back three top batsmen in quick succession. But Petromin regrouped through Khalid Nahi and Mansoor and both the batsmen steadied

Petromin's position somewhat to 177 for five. But a second slide started when Khalid Nahi was brilliantly run out for a valuable 64.

Mansoor also made his exit for a stodgy 52 as Eagles' Azhar Hassan came on for a second spell to snap four wickets. Five wickets fell for just 19 runs, and in the process Petromin also failed in their bid to snatch a bonus point by four runs.

Aramco Abqaiq were never in trouble against Bechtel Jubail. With Masood taking upon himself to fashion his side's innings, the total of 233 for nine was reached comfortably in the allotted 30 overs. Masood displayed a fine blend of attack and defense in his three-figure innings.

While he was ravaging the Bechtel attack from one end, the Jubail bowlers tried to redeem themselves by concentrating at the other. They did succeed in sending nine of the batsmen back with Greg Jackson (four for 51) and Mansoor (two for 44) emerging as their best bowlers. The only support for Masood came from Rashid. But Rashid, after carving out 50 for himself, departed to leave Masood to carry Aramco Abqaiq on his shoulders.

If Abqaiq left the scoring task to Masood, their four bowlers shared the work and honors as Jubail Bechtel crashed to a paltry 120 in 22 overs. With only S. Ahmed (33) and Holmes (33) offering a fight.

## Australian rugby side gives Cumbria a beating

CARLISLE, England, Nov. 10 (AFP) — The all-conquering Australians thrashed Cumbria aside 41-2 with a powerful display of running rugby league here Tuesday night.

The Kangaroos scored nine tries, with center Mal Meninga kicking seven goals as they brought their tour total to 310 points in ten games.

Winger John Ribot scored two tries, with centers Meninga and Ella grabbing one each, but the try of the game came in the last few minutes when loose forward Wayne Pearce raced 80 yards from his own 25-yardline, to touch down between the Cumbria posts.

The nearest county side went to scoring a try was with a darting run from scrum half Cairns from the base of the scrum. But he was tackled on the line and dropped the ball. The lone goal for Cumbria was scored by Hopkins.

Meanwhile, left wing three-quarter Mike Clamp scored a hat-trick of tries as the New Zealand Maoris found the best form of their Welsh tour in beating Aberavon 34-6 Tuesday.

However, the real star of the six-try show was tiny center Steve Pokere, who provided just the spark the tourists needed before Saturday's international against Wales at Cardiff.

Clamp landed an incredible five tries in all, but two were disallowed for foot-in-touch. Pokere scored two beauties and full-back Warren McLean, the other, to complete the rout. McLean kicked two penalties and two conversions for a personal haul of 14 points.

Yet, Aberavon led until injury time in the first-half and played a full part in the non-stop action that constantly had the crowd on their feet.

So, after the defeats by Swansea and Llanelli, the tourists served notice that Saturday's international against Wales at Cardiff.

## Deadly spell by KKNH's Issac

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Nov. 10 — King Khalid National Guard Hospital (KKNH) tasted success in its maiden operation on the cricket field. They beat 1395 in a 22-over per-side contest with two wickets to spare.

And the architect of the fine win was medium pace bowler Issac. He loomed up with silken strides and a smooth action to wreck the backbone of the 1395 innings and end up with flattering figures of eight for 32.

KKNH won the toss and allowed 1395 to make first use of the wicket. And Harris (10) and Hawken (36) gave 1395 a bright start. The pair added 28 runs before disaster struck. Once the association was broken a regular procession to the pavilion began with Issac striking at regular intervals.

A brief fight by Davies (15) and a seventh-wicket stand of 30 between Rolles-

ton and Ward enabled 1395 to cross the three-figure mark. 1395 compiled 106 for nine in their assigned overs.

And when KKNH began to erode away at their opposition's rally with useful contributions from Assad (11), Aleem (22), Gomez (24) and Issac (15) things looked bleak for 1395. But a sudden turn in fortunes, with Rolles claiming two quick wickets lived up the proceedings. But KKNH had enough depth in their batting to snatch victory with two wickets in hand and two balls to spare.

A farewell game in honor of Geoff Cohh, who returns to Britain, has been arranged for Thursday by 1395. And the season will commence in force on Nov. 18 with the Six-A-Side Tournament for the Oval Trophy. Entries for the competition closes on Nov. 12. Twenty-two teams have so far entered in the tournament.

Lewis kicked his second penalty for Aberavon, whereupon the Maoris really ran away with the match. Clamp scored his third try before McLean and Pokere went over to complete the scoring.

Toulouse scrum-half Gerald Martinez announced Tuesday that he would be fit and ready to captain France in the first Test match against Argentina in Toulouse Sunday. Martinez had sustained shoulder and knee injuries in a league game.

While Martinez's recovery was good news for the French side, there was a dose of bad news from Dax. French international full-back Marc Sallenfrange will be sidelined for ten weeks after tearing knee ligaments in a league match Sunday.

The Dax player, who was one of the "finds" of the last Five Nations Championships will have to undergo an operation and is not expected to play again before February.

Australia are preparing to change the rules when the Rugby League International Board meets next week at Wakefield, Yorkshire, it was reported in Leeds.

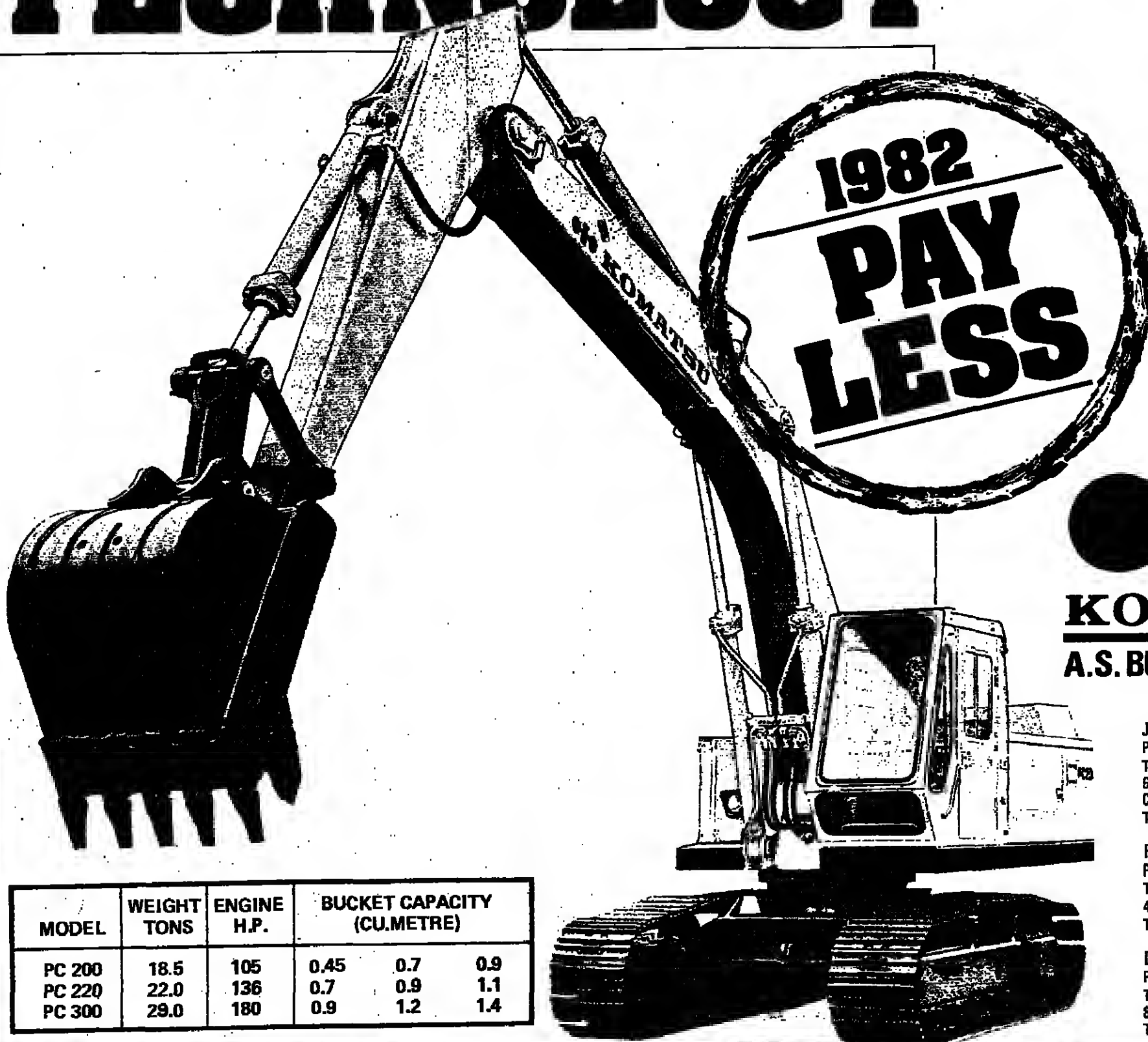
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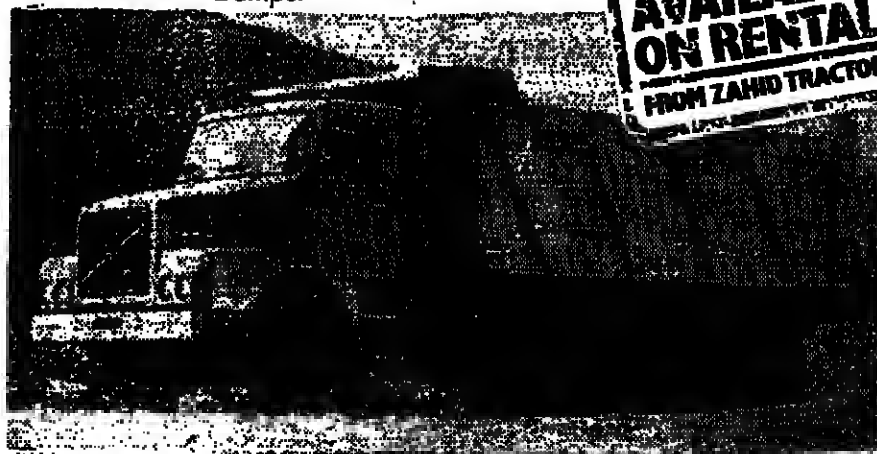


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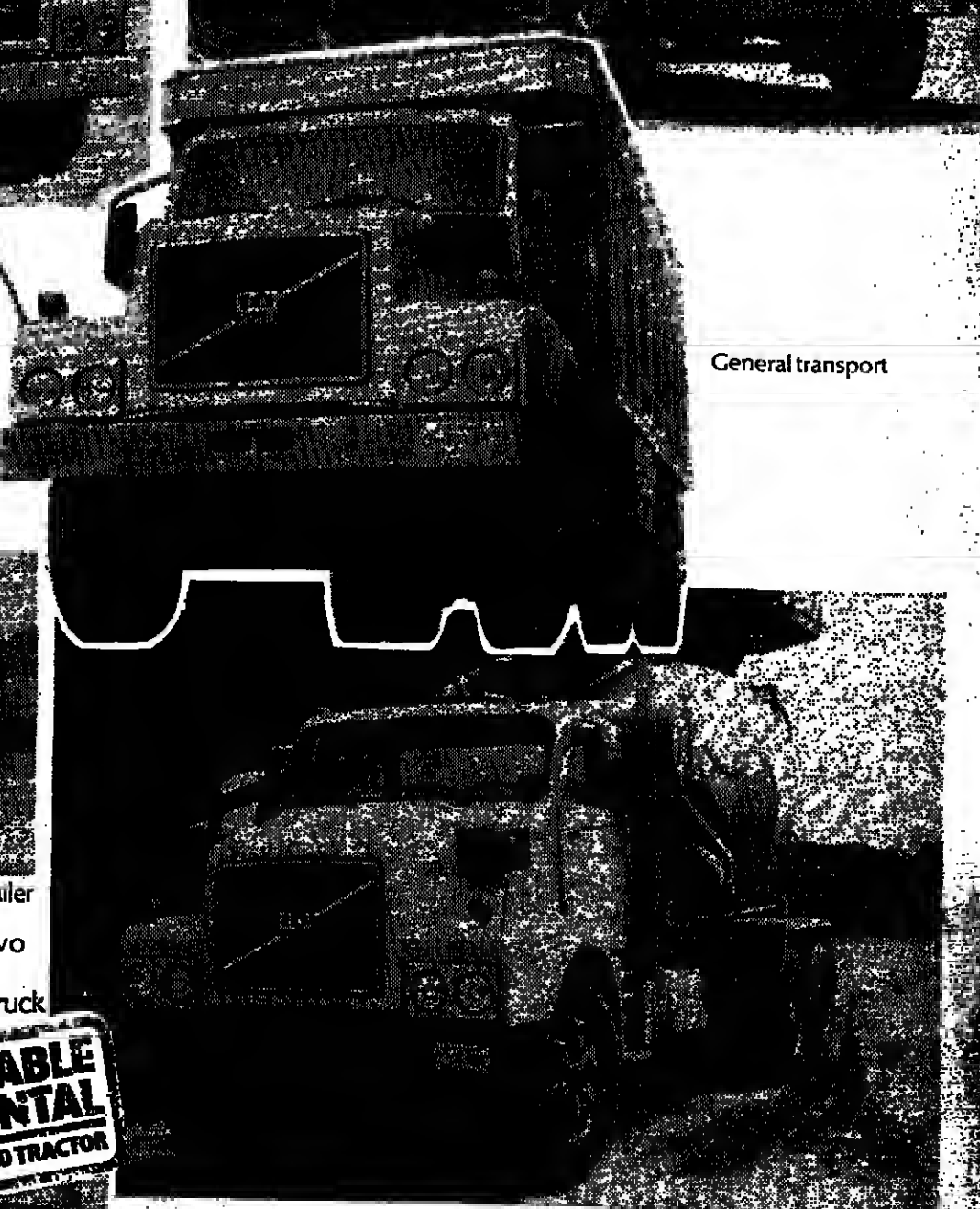
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## Plans to augment supplies

## EEC vows to avert gas crisis

BRUSSELS, Nov. 10 (R) — The European Economic Community countries pledged to ensure they would never be crippled by a shortage of natural gas, be it domestic or imported from the Soviet Union via the Siberia pipeline, diplomats said.

The pledge by Community energy ministers followed discussion of a report which showed the community could cope with a 25 percent drop in natural gas supplies for six months if certain contingency measures were taken.

The report, by the executive commission, was based on analysis of a projected 25 percent shortfall in supply during a harsh winter in 1990, when the Soviet Union would be supplying an estimated 19 percent of the community's gas requirements.

The chairman of the energy ministers' meeting, Denmark's Knut Enggaard, said the report was welcomed because it showed that the community did not rely too heavily on gas imports, especially from the Soviet Union.

One of U.S. President Reagan's principle objections to the construction of the controversial Soviet pipeline is that it would

## Finland bans whaling

HELSINKI, Nov. 10 (AFP) — The Finnish Parliament has unanimously passed a bill for a total ban on whaling as well as on imports of any whale products.

The bill forbids the use of Finnish vessels in whaling and also provides protection for whales off the Finnish coasts.

## U.S. aide sees budget deficit

BOSTON, Nov. 10 (R) — President Reagan's chief economic adviser, Martin Feldstein, said Wednesday the United States would experience an unprecedented series of budget deficits in the years ahead unless dramatic action was taken.

Major cuts in social welfare programs, in addition to those already enacted by Congress at Reagan's urging, were essential to reduce the anticipated deficits, Feldstein suggested in a prepared speech for the Commercial Club of Boston.

He denied that last year's large tax cuts by

## German firms win

## Iraqi rail deal

MUNICH, Nov. 10 (R) — A group of West German firms has won an Iraqi government contract to plan an underground railway for Baghdad.

Industry sources said Iraq was keeping to its long-term development plans despite the crippling cost of two years of war with Iran.

The firm leading the five-member consortium, Dorsch Consult of Munich, said Tuesday the first section of the railway would be just over five kms long, 16 meters below the city and have eight stations.

Work, costing an estimated 1.2 billion marks (\$460 million), is scheduled to begin in 1984 with the first air conditioned trains running by December 1987.

make Western Europe too dependent on Soviet gas. "We have sent a very clear signal to both Washington and Moscow which answers much of the debate on the Siberian pipeline question," Enggaard told a news conference.

Enggaard said that if the measures were implemented, member states would be able to survive a serious interruption of gas supply.

## U.S. may lift curbs

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10 (R) — The White House spokesman said he expected an announcement soon that the United States and its European allies had reached agreement about the lifting of U.S. sanctions against the Soviet Union gas pipeline.

The sanctions, which at first barred U.S. firms from supplying equipment and technology for the pipeline being constructed from Siberia to Western Europe, were imposed after Poland declared martial law in last December.

President Reagan extended them in June to include U.S. subsidiaries overseas and foreign companies manufacturing equipment under U.S. licenses.

The State Department has been meeting here with ambassadors of its European allies to discuss the sanction problem.

plies without difficulty. The measures include further exploration and development of gas, increased cooperation between members to redistribute resources in the event of a short-fall, and flexible contracts with other gas suppliers such as Norway and Algeria to enable governments to import more gas in times of crisis.

Enggaard announced that talks would begin soon on ways of increasing the role of coal in the community's energy strategy. Diplomats said several member states, especially Britain, wanted to boost coal production to make it a central part of the community's energy supply by the 1990s when North Sea oil and gas deposits were forecast to begin running out. Talks on a coal strategy could begin as early as next month, they said.

The diplomats said other forms of energy such as brown coal and turf, both in abundant supply, were being considered. The study estimated that by 1990, the Soviet pipeline would supply 39 billion cubic meters of gas a year, compared with estimated consumption in the 10 member states of 273 billion cubic meters, 154 billion of which would be home-produced.

## Travel agents oppose Laker bid

LONDON, Nov. 10 (AP) — Sir Freddie Laker, pioneer of cheap air travel whose airline crashed last February with debts of \$499 million, is seeking to launch a new package-tour air company.

But British travel agents, still trying to recover money for themselves and clients are bitterly opposed to his planned comeback.

The 60-year-old entrepreneur has applied to Britain's Civil Aviation Authority for an air transport operator's license on behalf of Freddie Laker Holidays.

Freddie Laker Holidays, is half-owned by another company called Afal, in which Laker has an 80 percent stake. The other half of Freddie Laker Holidays is owned by Laker's friend Roland W. "Tiny" Rowland, millionaire chief executive of the multi-national conglomerate Lombar.

The Chairman of Freddie Laker Holidays as listed as businessman and member of parliament Edward D. Cann, a prominent member of the ruling Conservative Party in the House of Commons and a Lombar director.

The London Times reported that Laker's application to the CAA is to be heard some time this week, but no date has been disclosed.

Laker, who also has a half ownership of Freddie Laker Holidays for membership of the Association of British Travel Agents (ABTA), said Monday that if the CAA granted a license he planned to publish his first holiday brochures on Dec. 9.

He added that he expected the application for membership of ABTA to be heard Dec. 2. Freddie Laker Holidays plans to fly tourists to the United States and the Mediterranean.

## Mexico car units in doldrums

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 10 (AP) — The Mexican car industry has been hit by plummeting sales and faces little prospect of relief during an economic recession in which thousands of auto workers have lost their jobs.

New car sales have dropped 40 percent since February, when Mexico announced the first of two peso devaluations that cut the currency's value by more than half. Industry analysts say little or no upswing is expected for the 1983 model year — just getting underway here amid reports that some 40,000 automotive workers have lost their jobs in recent months.

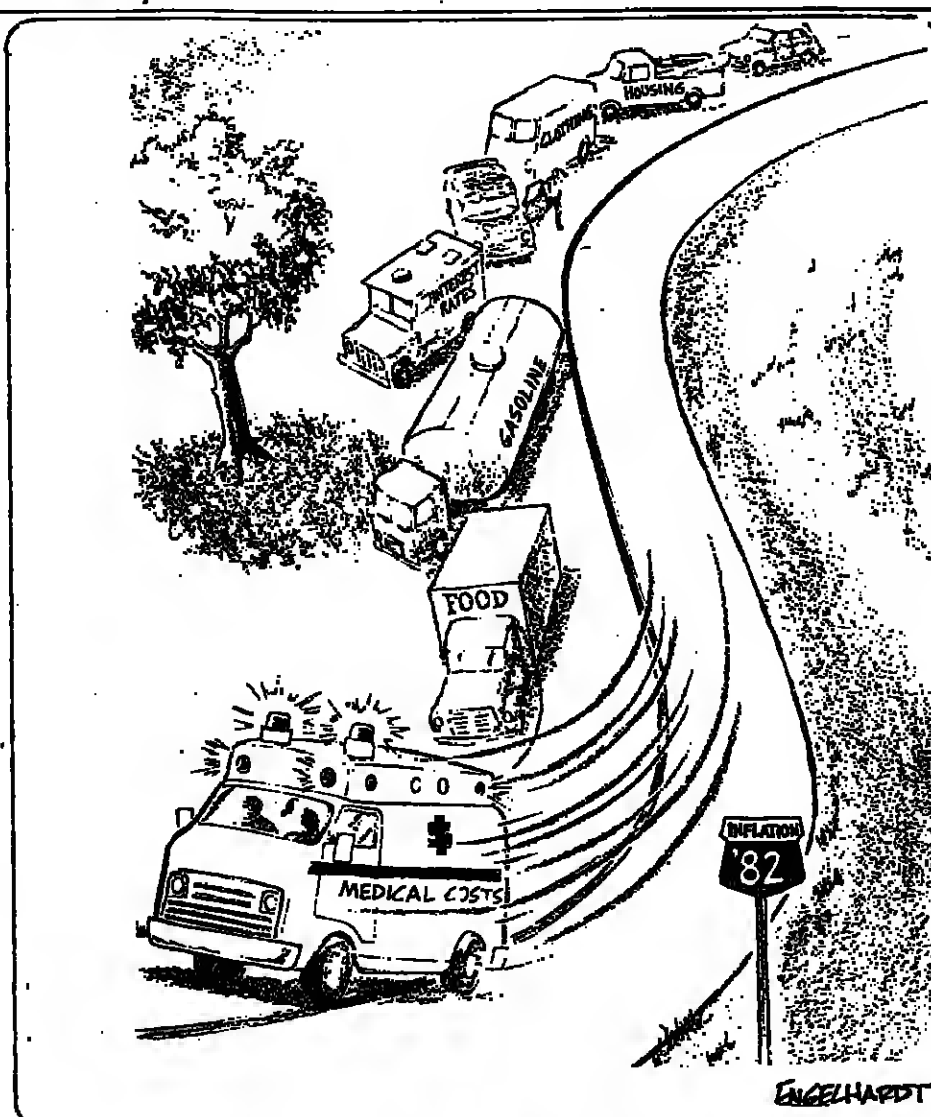
"The whole industry is going badly," said Hans H. Barschke, chairman of the board of Volkswagen of Mexico, the nation's largest car manufacturer. "We're not magicians," he said. "I think next year is going to be a difficult one."

"It's a period of austerity," said Michael Hammes, president of Ford of Mexico. "All of us will suffer drops in demand and prosperity." Industry spokesmen blame the weakening peso, soaring import costs, domestic price controls and shrinking markets for their falling fortunes.

Most of the car manufacturers export engines and parts to their parent companies in the United States and Europe. But they say revenues from those transactions do not offset losses from lower car sales.

The Mexico Automobile Industry Association said car and truck production totaled 369,724 vehicles between January and August, the latest statistics available. That represents a 10 percent cut in production from the same period last year.

Heading the list of industry grievances are the exchange controls the government



## Over easing imports

## West turns heat on Japan

TOKYO, Nov. 10 (AFP) — While the politicians are concentrating on who is to succeed Premier Zenko Suzuki, Japan is under renewed pressure from its trading partners to alter its commercial ways.

But it is widely judged here that the new government will have little room to maneuver, and that U.S. and European demands will not necessarily be met.

Any drastic moves to open up the Japanese market will be countered by pressure groups backed by powerful political and administrative interests. Many sectors of the economy have been protected too long from foreign competition for them to be exposed overnight, an idea regarded as unthinkable here.

Within the ruling Liberal Democrat Party the debate goes on between the "internationalists" who want open market conditions and the "nationalists" who think Japan's own interests should be defended at all costs.

The current trade battle is being fought with oranges, beef and cigarettes. These are the items the U.S. is launching at the Japanese market. Talks on these products failed this month in Honolulu, with neither side giving ground. The Japanese said they were doing their best, and the Americans said they could do better.

In agriculture, Japan has an outstanding record of inefficiency. Production costs are far higher than those in the United States, and the land could not be worked without government subsidies. At the same time the farm lobbies have a lot of political sway. In parliament, where the Conservative Party has a very comfortable majority, the idea of opening up the home market to competition from U.S. farm produce has little support.

But the issue involves more than oranges, for the Americans have given Japan a list of 200 product categories for which they seek easier access in this country.

Japan's exports are meanwhile, regarded with an increasingly jaundiced eye. The U.S. administration has hinted that it will call for continuing curbs on automobile shipments. A similar stance looms on steel.

The West Europeans are trying to contain the flow of Japanese products ranging from cars and machine tools to quartz watches.

Following French moves to counter the inflow of video cassette recorders, and amid calls in Britain for a brake on certain items, Japanese officials above all fear that the West Europeans will take concerted action.

Any attempt by the Japanese government to damp down exports is bound to kindle the ire of business leaders.

## Nigerian oil output rises to 1.5m bpd

LAGOS, Nov. 10 (R) — Nigerian oil output reached nearly 1.5 million barrels per day (bpd) in October, compared with just under 1.27 million bpd in September, industry sources said Wednesday.

It was Nigeria's highest production since June, when output topped 1.6 million bpd and the figure of around 1.5 million bpd should be reached this month, the sources said.

The sources said they were still wary of predicting precise figures for December — when demand depends on the severity of the winter in the northern Hemisphere — but added that it was unlikely to drop below the 1.3 million bpd ceiling set for Nigeria by OPEC (the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries).

Nigerian crude production, on which the government depends for 95 percent of its foreign exchange, dropped drastically to under 700,000 bpd at one stage in March, but has recovered since and has been averaging around the OPEC-set ceiling.

The sources said predictions for the first quarter of next year were very difficult to make.

## UNDP in throes of cash problems

UNITED NATIONS, Nov. 10 (R) — The United Nations Development Program (UNDP), the world's largest multilateral aid agency, is facing a cash crisis and recipient countries must immediately reduce claims on its resources by 45 percent, the head of the operation has said.

UNDP administrator Bradford Morse told delegates at a meeting called Tuesday to receive pledges of future contributions by governments that the organization was facing a crucial emergency.

The former U.S. congressman from Massachusetts said he had no option but to advise governments immediately to reduce their planning estimates through 1986 to 55 percent of previously agreed targets.

Least developed and low income countries, which had been given priority attention, would suffer most in across-the-board reductions he would announce Wednesday, he said.

## 2 top American firms plan merge

SAN DIEGO, Nov. 10 (R) — Signal Companies, a multinational U.S. conglomerate, announced that it was acquiring an engineering and manufacturing firm which had sales of \$1.5 billion last year.

The cost of Signal's deal to take over Wheelabrator-Frye, which is based in Hampton, New Hampshire, was estimated at just under \$1 billion.

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## Warning to Europe

## Canada may 'merge' with U.S.

PARIS, Nov. 10 (AFP) — Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau warned European businessmen that if they failed to become economic partners of Canada, it might accept "the insidious lure of continentalism" and merge with the United States.

In a move to resist that temptation, Paris and Ottawa set up a committee of French and Canadian businessmen assigned to suggest

ways to increase French-Canadian trade. It now amounts to only about one percent of their worldwide foreign commerce.

The committee was the first concrete result of Trudeau's second day in France, during which he had mainly economic talks with President Francois Mitterrand. Premier Pierre Mauroy and a group of French cabinet ministers.

In a luncheon speech to the French Employers Association and Franco-Canadian Chamber of Commerce, Trudeau advised that Canada's linguistic and cultural ties with Europe offered French businessmen a good chance to compete in Canada.

He said that Canada was "perhaps the last great adventure possible in the industrialized world" thanks to its resources and "engagement in the future's technological race."

The French Employers Association President Gattaz noted in his luncheon address that Canada's policy of "assuring better control of its national resources" might have led some French corporations to review the form of their establishment in Canada substantially.

Nevertheless, there were "vast possibilities" for scientific and industrial cooperation, he said, although the two countries were direct competitors in some fields.

Gattaz stressed that many French enter-

prises "have established themselves in Canada or plan to do so, aiming not merely to establish bridgeheads for exports, but also to integrate themselves into the economy."

No agreements were concluded in a two-hour talk with French Premier Mauroy, but Trudeau and he told newsmen they made progress in discussions of proposal including a possible Canadian share in building the European Airbus A-320, installing French radar at all of Canada's civilian airports, and the purchase of French helicopters.

It was announced that a new round of discussions on determining the extent of the economic zone of the French islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon south of Newfoundland will take place next January. That indicated a will to solve a thorny issue.

Premier Mauroy said that France's special relations with French-speaking Quebec province "do not prevent better relations with Canada. The contrary is true."

## Bonn unveils '83 budget

BONN, Nov. 10 (R) — Finance Minister Gerhard Stoltenberg said latest statistics show the domestic economy has not yet bottomed out.

Presenting the 1983 federal budget and a supplementary budget for 1982, Stoltenberg told parliament real GNP has been shrinking since the summer and the number of jobs will pass two million this month.

The draft budgets, whose details were announced last month, foresee net federal borrowing of 41.5 billion marks in 1983 and 39.9 billion in 1982 on expenditure of 253.8 billion and 246.6 billion respectively.

Stoltenberg said the new center-right government that came to power in early October had to revise the budgets of the previous government as the economic assumptions they were based on were over-optimistic.

Accompanying bills to stimulate the economy and employment, introduced with the budget proposals, place special emphasis on government aid to housebuilding, Stoltenberg said.

Stoltenberg defended a recent call by Labor Minister Norbert Blum for a wage freeze as part of national efforts to overcome the present economic crisis.

## Inflation rate in OECD dips to 7.4 percent

PARIS, Nov. 10 (AFP) — The average inflation rate in the 24 member countries of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) was down to its lowest for nearly nine years at 7.4 percent in September, the OECD said Wednesday.

This compared with a rate of 10.7 percent a year earlier, and 10.6 percent in the 1981 calendar year.

The OECD's monthly report showed consumer prices rising by 0.6 percent against 0.4 percent in August, explaining a slightly faster increase of 3.9 percent over the six months to September.

A seasonally less favorable trend in food prices and scheduled public tariff increases explained the slight acceleration of price increases compared with the previous month.

Japan again recorded the lowest 12-month rate at 3.2 percent — despite a hefty 1.8 percent monthly increase in September — ahead of West Germany and Austria (4.9 percent), the United States (5 percent), the Netherlands (5.4 percent), and Switzerland (5.5 percent).

Britain was just below the average at 7.3 percent, while double-digit rates were still recorded by France (10.1 percent), Canada (10.4 percent) and Italy (17 percent).

## Jakarta predicts rise in oil demand

JAKARTA, Nov. 10 (AP) — Mining and Energy Minister Subroto said Wednesday that a harsher winter in 1982-83 and increased economic growth would boost the worldwide demand for oil by an estimated one percent next year.

Subroto told a parliamentary commission on energy and mining that the projected hike would mean an increase of 450,000 to 500,000 barrels a day. Worldwide consumption in 1983 would be between 45.8 million and 45.9 million barrels daily, up from 1982's daily rate of 45.4 million barrels, he said.

He said the estimated increase was based on the expectation that the world economy would pick up in 1983 to achieve a 2 percent growth rate.

The world's oil stockpile, having been reduced to about 4.7 billion barrels, is another factor which will lead to increased production, he said.

## Danes reiterate stand on fishing

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 10 (AFP) — The Danish government Wednesday reaffirmed, Denmark's rejection of a proposed common fisheries policy agreed by the other nine members of the European Economic Community (EEC).

After a cabinet meeting here Wednesday, Prime Minister Poul Schluter said he thought it still possible for the 10 EEC members to reach a negotiated solution, and expressed hope that efforts will continue to get a fisheries policy agreement that "everybody can live with."

He said it was vital that national fish conservation measures should not discriminate against the fishing industry in individual member countries, adding that the proposal was discriminating on certain points.

Foreign Exchange Rates		
Quoted at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday		
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Bahraini Dinar	9.10	9.135
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Belgian Franc (1,000)		69.63
Canadian Dollar		283.00
Cypriot Lira		6.95
Deutsche Mark (100)	133.90	133.77
Dutch Guilder (100)	123.00	122.70
Egyptian Pound	3.35	3.34
East German Mark (100)	93.25	93.70
French Franc (100)	47.60	47.38
Greek Drachma (1,000)		47.20
Indian Rupee (100)		35.27
Iranian Rial (100)		6.25
Israeli Sheqel		23.50
Italian Lira (1,000)		12.87
Japanese Yen (1,000)		9.45
Jordanian Dinar		11.75
Kuwaiti Dinar		82.00
Lebanese Lira (100)		51.75
Moroccan Dirham (100)		29.25
Pakistani Rupee (100)		57.5
Philippines Peso (100)		93.50
Pound Sterling		93.50
Qatari Riyal (100)		155.82
Singapore Dollar (100)		30.20
Spanish Peseta (1,000)		155.75
Sri Lanka Rupee (100)		60.25
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## Financial Roundup

## Dollar rates shed gains

By J. H. Hammond

JEDDAH, Nov. 10 — The dollar shed some of its gains on the European exchange markets Wednesday. The trend was already established from Tuesday night in New York, when profit-taking pushed the dollar down. Once again the markets are being swept by rumors of an impending U.S. discount rate cut of possibly more than 1/2 percent this weekend, but the markets find themselves in exactly the same situation as last weekend when a similar move did not materialize.

In fact the close of last weekend saw the dollar reach new record highs against several currencies, especially the French franc and British pound. On Wednesday, these currencies rose against the dollar, but the sharpest rises were registered by the Japanese yen and Swiss franc. The yen seemed to lead the way Wednesday, trading at 268.50 levels after falling to 277.90 earlier last week.

In the bullion markets, gold and silver staged a "mini recovery", taking gold prices back up to \$412 /\$415 an ounce from \$410.50 London closing Tuesday. Silver was more volatile and traded at \$10.28 an ounce from \$10.10 on Tuesday. Trading volumes were reportedly small, however, with the bullion markets waiting to see how the Eurodollar deposit markets soon react

to the falls registered by the dollar on the exchange markets.

In the Eurodollar deposit market, dollar interest rates were generally firm, but some small easing of rates was registered in the short-dated funds. The one-month rate was 11/16 percent down at 9 3/4 percent levels, while the one-year Eurodollar was quoted at 10 5/16 percent levels.

In the local markets, spot dollar rates eased back from the high levels reached Tuesday of around 3.4415-20 in trade at 3.4408-12 price ranges. This was still up over the comparable prices of last week, and dealers continued to note strong commercial demand. The deposit market was stable, with transactions concentrated in short-dates funds of under two months, as market opinion once again swung into the direction of expecting some small cuts in rates. The week-fixed fixed to 9 3/4 percent while the one-month traded at 9 3/4 percent levels.

In Europe, the British pound rose to 1.6690 levels after its sharp falls to 1.6520 on Tuesday. The other currencies showed similar results, with the French franc going back to 7.2890 from 7.3160 levels and the German mark strengthening to 2.5620 on one stage from 2.5960 levels. The Swiss franc traded at 2.2050 levels, but as pointed out earlier, it was the yen that was the star of the show.

## Asia's credit profile sound

HONG KONG, Nov. 10 (R) — The Asian Pacific Basin (APB) borrowing profile is sound, particularly compared with the debris of debt programs international lenders are trying to clear up in Mexico, Latin America and Eastern Europe, bankers here said.

There has been no debt rescheduling in the region where borrowing is light compared with other regions. Despite a widespread need for funds to tackle balance of payments problems caused by depressed commodity prices, few problems are foreseen, though concern is growing over the Philippines.

Some bankers see rescheduling possible for the Philippines next year, but central bank Governor Jaime Laya has denied it will be needed. Philippine outstanding foreign debt is some \$16 billion, including 4.5 billion revolving credits. Of this 10 billion is commercial. Some four billion is short-term financing for less than a year; the central bank has reported.

Although the projected 1982 debt service ratio of 19.4 falls within its statutory 20 percent limit it is easily the highest of the region's regular borrowers, and slightly higher if calculated on the IMF basis rather than its own. Laya said even if world credit arrangements came to an abrupt stop and short-term debt had to be repaid within a year, the Philippines has international reserves and standby lines on top of export receipts to settle obligations fully.

But bankers see no 1983 turnaround for

major exports — sugar, copper and coconuts — which the central bank puts at a record \$600 to \$800 million this year.

Bankers say the extent of the balance of payments erosion is well illustrated by comparison with the IMF view in June that the official target of a \$500 million shortfall was too high.

The Philippines has been negotiating with the IMF and World Bank for \$760 million aid, and expects to conclude arrangements this month. Bankers say it is also expected to sound out the commercial market for \$200 million to 300 million before year-end.

They say worries over the debt position are largely balanced by strong support from U.S. banks. Asia's most indebted nation is South Korea, with foreign debt of \$34 billion. Of this, some 18 billion relates to commercial credit.

## India gets British loan for power plant

LONDON, Nov. 10 (AFP) — India has secured its largest ever loan from Britain — 344 million pounds sterling — it was announced here Wednesday.

The loan has been arranged in favor of the National Thermal Power Corporation by a banking syndicate led by the Standard Chartered Merchant Bank.

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**9.00** Clinical Presentation & Management of Acute Rheumatic Fever

**9.20** Prevention of Rheumatic Heart Disease

**9.35** Pathology of Rheumatic Heart Disease

**9.50** Discussion

**10.15 10.45** Tea Break

**10.45** SESSION II

**10.45** Changing Picture of Rheumatic Fever

**11.05** Diagnosis of Rheumatic Heart Disease: Non-invasive techniques

**11.20** Diagnosis of Rheumatic Heart Disease: Invasive techniques

**11.40** Discussion

**12.00** Prayer and Lunch Break

**1.30** SESSION III

**1.30** Medical Management of Rheumatic Heart Disease

**1.50** Pregnancy & Valvular Heart Disease

**2.10** Indications for Surgery & Surgical Procedures available

**2.40** Discussion

**3.00** Prayer and Tea Break

**3.30** Timing of Surgery in Asymptomatic Aortic Incompetence

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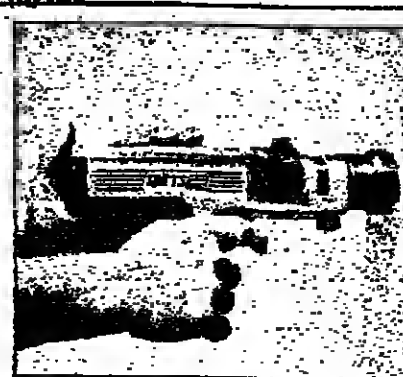
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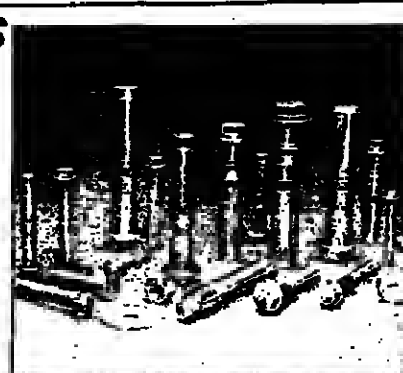
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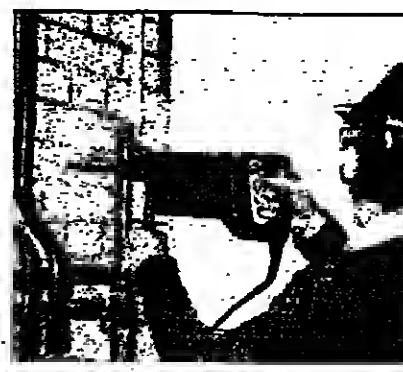
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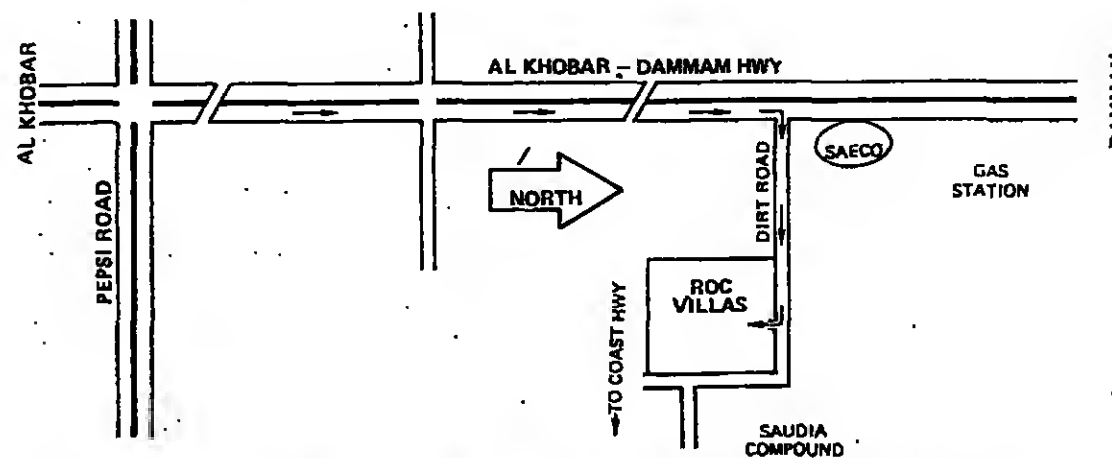
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## Protests flare up in Poland

**WARSAW, Nov. 11 (AP)** — Riot police firing flares and smoke bombs routed about 3,000 pro-Solidarity demonstrators here as an estimated 15,000 persons heeding calls by the union's fugitive underground took to the streets of Wroclaw in southwest Poland.

The street protests came after a day of sporadic strikes in some factories where leaders of the independent union had called for a massive, nationwide eight-hour work stoppage to protest martial law and the Oct. 8 ban on Solidarity.

Police in Warsaw, backed by water cannon and armored personnel carriers sought to disperse a crowd that refused at first to leave the area near the Warsaw court where Solidarity was legally registered as the Soviet bloc's first union independent of state control two years ago.

Witnesses said the crowd fled on an initial charge by police in helmets and carrying shields, then regrouped and was forced away by tear gas, flares and smoke grenades.

In Wroclaw, Associated Press correspondent saw an estimated 15,000 people gather at the city's "Red Square," then march toward the center of the city where heavy patrols of police and border troops waited.

The crowd sang the national anthem, carrying flags that said "Solidarity will win" and chanted "free Frasniki, free Frasniki," referring to Wladyslaw Frasniki, the local Solidarity leader and member of the national underground union leadership arrested Oct. 5.

## 20 said killed in Volta coup

**ABIDJAN, Nov. 10 (R)** — At least 20 persons, mainly soldiers, are thought to have been killed in Ouagadougou during last weekend's coup, informed sources in the Upper Volta capital said Wednesday.

"There was a lot of gunfire early on Sunday morning. Anywhere between 20 and 60 persons were reported killed, although it now appears the lower figure is more accurate," the sources, reached by telephone from Abidjan, told Reuters.

The sources, confirming other reports here, said the situation in Ouagadougou, where a night curfew is in force, was calm Wednesday. "There has been no shooting since early Sunday morning, apart from some isolated gunfire Tuesday," the sources said.

There was little resistance to the coup, which toppled Col. Saye Zerbo's military government, apart from a few loyal troops at the presidency and the gendarmerie. "It was bloody in the sense there has been no political bloodshed before in Upper Volta," the informed sources, who declined to be named said.

## Shuttle goes commercial

**KENNEDY SPACE CENTER, Nov. 10 (R)** — *Columbia* goes commercial for the first time Thursday, with private enterprises paying nearly \$20 million to put a valuable payload into orbit in the holds of the U.S. space shuttle. As the countdown to Thursday's 1219 GMT blastoff continued, officials expressed confidence that this historic fifth voyage would be as successful as the four earlier test flights.

It will also be the first time one space-craft has carried four persons into orbit. The five-day mission's main aim was to demonstrate the business potential of the reusable craft by transporting two communications satellites into space, the officials said.

The Telesat Canada Company of Ottawa and Satellite Business Systems of McLean, Virginia, each paid more than \$9 million for *Columbia*'s first commercial berths. Spokesmen for Telesat, which launched its first communications satellite 10 years ago, said this was less than half the price of launching using expendable rockets such as the European Space Agency's Ariane.

The two satellites aboard *Columbia*, to improve radio, television, telephone and other communications, will be popped out of the shuttle by a spring mechanism, one, eight hours after liftoff and the other on the second day in orbit.

The combined payment of nearly \$20 million for about half the cargo space did not begin to cover the cost of the mission, but space agency officials see it as an important first step to making the program financially viable.

The agency faces strong competition in the satellite-launching business from the European Space Agency.



**COMMERCIAL SHUTTLE:** Space shuttle *Columbia* goes commercial Thursday on its fifth flight. The shuttle is seen here during a blastoff from the Kennedy Space Center, Florida.

## French beauty surrenders truncheon

**LONDON, Nov. 10 (AP)** — Martine Philippe, France's entry in this year's Miss World beauty contest, was ordered Tuesday to hand over a truncheon she was carrying for self-defense.

Mademoiselle Philippe, a tall, 23-year-old brunette, was approached by security guards after showing the black collapsible weapon to reporters at London's Grosvenor House Hotel where the 68 contestants for next week's pageant are staying.

"I was told it was an illegal weapon and that I should hand it over to my chaplain," said Miss Philippe. "I will get it back at the end of the contest. I'm not really bothered though — I've never had to use it seriously and I didn't expect to have to here."

Miss France told the Associated Press that she bought the truncheon in Spain a few months ago to fend off any muggers and had carried it in her handbag ever since. Miss Philippe said she was particularly interested in karate and judo which she practiced at night classes in her home town of Sochaux before preparing for the Miss World contest.

"I bought the truncheon as a sort of last resort. But so far, the only time I've used it is on my boyfriend, Jean," she joked, smiling broadly.

Dennis Martin, chief security officer for Miss World, refused to confirm that the truncheon was confiscated. "I have no comment at all," he told a reporter.

The incident was the second hiccup in this year's competition after Monday's announcement that Argentina was boycotting the Nov. 18 event because of the Falklands War with Britain.

In recent years, the contest has been hit by controversy. In 1981, Portugal's entry was banned because she had been selected in

racially divided South Africa, while in 1980 West Germany's Gabriella Brum gave up her title just 18 hours after being crowned Miss World.

All except one of this year's contestants had arrived in London by Tuesday. Miss Indonesia was due Wednesday while Miss Austria, Rita Isabella Zebotner, pulled out through illness and is not being replaced.

The only new nation is the British dependency of Turks and Caicos, a tiny group of Caribbean islands 896 kilometers southeast of the Bahamas with a population of 8,000. Turks and Caicos is represented by 21-year-old Lolita Elaine Ariza, a drama student who has never been to Europe before.

## Indian cyclone toll tops 250

**NEW DELHI, Nov. 10 (R)** — Air force helicopters mounted relief operations in the west Indian state of Gujarat Wednesday as the death toll from a devastating cyclone topped 250. Prime Minister Indira Gandhi flew to inspect areas where thousands of houses have been damaged and 35,000 village huts blown away by winds of up to 200 kph.

As officials counted the cost of the cyclone which hit the Gujarat coast north of Bombay on Monday, the state's Home Minister Prabhodh Rawal said the death toll had risen to 256. State-run All India Radio said air force helicopters were flying relief supplies into sectors cut off by floods.

The storm spread havoc in Gujarat's peanut-growing Saurashtra region, affecting more than 4,000 villages with a population of some 4.5 million people. Rawal told the Press Trust of India news agency in the state capital

of Ahmedabad.

Speaking to reporters there, Mrs. Gandhi complained that people had ignored storm warnings broadcast repeatedly as the cyclone advanced across the Arabian Sea. "There is a problem with our people," she said. They did not move to safer places or take cyclone warnings seriously.

The prime minister, accompanied by her son Rajiv Gandhi, flew over Saurashtra in an air force jet before returning to New Delhi. State officials said the storm badly affected cotton and groundnut crops already hit by an earlier drought. Gujarat is India's biggest peanut-growing region.

The cyclone was the latest in a series of natural disasters to ravage India this year. More than 800 persons died in floods across north and northeast India in September.

## Britain to bury time capsule

**LONDON, Nov. 10 (AP)** — A catalogue of underwear, false teeth and a slide fastener will be buried in a time capsule on Yorkshire on Nov. 17 to show what 1980s life was like for people 2,000 years from now.

The stainless steel container, the size of a small garbage can, will be interred in a reinforced concrete vault line with steel plates in the grounds of Castle Howard, an 18th-century mansion owned by George Howard, chairman of the British Broadcasting Corp.

The BBC designed the project as part of its 60th anniversary celebrations. It said Tuesday that the 85 objects and 783 other items recorded on tapes and records in the capsule

include things it assumes will be obsolete in 3982, such as credit card, contact lens, leather sandals and a microchip.

A suspender clip, contraceptive coil and magazines depicting scantily clothed women will also be in the capsule. They were chosen by a committee of 20, including an educator, harrier, historian, economist, doctor, architect and an Anglican clergyman.

The BBC appeared to have doubts about the kind of progress that will be made in the next 2,000 years. A program to be broadcast Saturday will say that opening the capsule "could be a problem for a low-technology civilization."

## Italy acts to bolster lira

**ROME, Nov. 10 (R)** — The Italian government took steps to bolster the lira on world currency markets Wednesday as Prime Minister Giovanni Spadolini held urgent consultations to try to save his faltering five-party coalition.

A Trade Ministry decree tightened foreign exchange controls for Italian exporters and the Treasury Ministry said a sharp rise in its short-term borrowing rates Tuesday was aimed at staving off speculation against the Italian currency. The moves coincided with the prospect of a new government collapse, the second in three months, after a public row

between two key economic ministers in the Spadolini cabinet.

Spadolini consulted President Sandro Pertini after calling for the resignation of Christian Democrat Treasury Minister Nino Andreatta and Socialist Finance Minister Rino Formica. Political sources reported from parliament that the prime minister was considering resigning if leaders of the coalition parties refused to rally behind him.

The sources said a deep split between the Christian Democrats and the Socialists over planned austerity measures was behind the outbreak of personal insults between the two ministers last week, when Spadolini was in Washington.

Socialist ministers, at loggerheads with the center-right Christian Democrats for most of this year, suspected Andreatta of favoring the rich and penalizing workers in planned public spending cuts and tax increases to be imposed next year, the sources said.

The latest measures mean that exporters, some of whom put off receipt of their earnings in expectation of a lira depreciation, will have to borrow foreign currency from Italian banks for 70 percent of exports billed in foreign currency.

Banking sources said the latest political crisis, coming in a period of seasonal weakness for the lira, had boosted fears that the currency was heading for its second devaluation in the European monetary system this year.

## Bonn agrees to increase NATO fund

**WASHINGTON, Nov. 10 (APF)** — Talks between Manfred Woerner, the West German defense minister, and Caspar Weinberger, his U.S. counterpart, have eliminated "misunderstandings and irritation" over defense issues, Woerner said.

He made the statement Tuesday at a news conference here, hours after the Pentagon announced, as expected, that West Germany has agreed to increase its payments to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's infrastructure fund.

Woerner himself said last week that West Germany had agreed to the increase. A U.S. spokesman said Weinberger "was gratified" by the move, as it was made at a time of serious economic difficulties in West Germany. West German sources said Bonn's contribution to the NATO infrastructure fund would reach about 350 million West German marks (\$135.1 million) in 1984.

The size of Bonn's current contribution was not immediately available, although West Germany and the United States each contribute about 25 percent of the fund's overall budget. The infrastructure fund is destined basically to the maintenance of NATO installations such as airports, command posts and other material.

Both Woerner and Weinberger expressed strong satisfaction with their two-hour meeting. "The goal of my visit was to establish a climate of confidence," Woerner said. "That goal has been reached."

The Pentagon said the talks were "excellent and fruitful." Pentagon sources said Woerner agreed with Weinberger that there should be no delay in deploying Cruise and Pershing-2 missiles in Europe if U.S. and Soviet negotiators in Geneva fail to progress toward agreement on intermediate-range missile deployment. Deployment of the U.S. missiles is set for late 1983. Their purpose is to counteract existing Soviet intermediate-range missiles that can hit cities in Western Europe.

During his news conference, Woerner said: "A delay in deployment would complicate our situation, because the Soviet Union would surely conclude that there is some indecision on our side." He also said that he did not believe that current technical difficulties with the Pershing-2 would force a delay in deployment. The failures of two tests of the missiles were considered during the talks, Pentagon sources said.

## Odinga placed under arrest

**NAIROBI, Nov. 10 (APF)** — Kenya's one-time vice president and opposition leader Jaramogi Odinga Odinga has been placed under house arrest at Kisumu, it was learned here Wednesday. Odinga, 71, had been restricted to Kisumu, on Lake Victoria 400 kilometers west of here, since the end of September in a move observers linked with the Aug. 1 failed coup attempt.

The restriction order was signed Monday by Justice Ole Tippi, minister of state in the president's office charged with internal security, and states that Odinga shall not receive any visitors at the house except his wives, children and grandchildren, and then only one person at a time. Odinga is reported to have signed the order Tuesday at the Kisumu police headquarters to where he was driven by a police car.

His son, Raila Amolo Odinga and journalist Otieno Mak'onyango are the only civilians that have been charged so far with the capital offense of treason, following the Aug. 1 air force-led uprising that was officially estimated to have left nearly 200 persons dead and properties worth more than \$40 million destroyed or looted.

The new measures against the veteran leftwing politician follow a statement by President Daniel Arap Moi at the weekend that he had advised Odinga to "rest" but that he was never satisfied with his situation. "You will soon hear things," Moi had warned.

When he was placed under restriction in September, Odinga broke the order by flying to Nairobi, but he was picked up as he landed in the capital and subsequently flown back to Kisumu in a special police aircraft.

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# New doubts raised about NATO ability in conventional war

By Andrew Wilson

LONDON (ONS) — The growing debate in Europe about NATO's nuclear weapons policy has raised new questions about the alliance's ability to sustain a conventional war.

Britain's former chief of defense staff, Lord Carver, called last year for the abandonment of a strategy envisaging NATO's "first use" of nuclear arms. Two months ago the NATO supreme commander, Gen. Bernard Rogers, suggested that if the European alliance members contributed four percent more to a "conventional" buildup, nuclear war risks would be greatly reduced.

Even soldiers, it now seems, are worried by the huge number of civilian deaths to be expected from even a limited nuclear engagement in the urban areas of Western Europe that today stretch, almost unbroken, from the East German border to the English Channel.

Yet little publicity has been given to the question of what a conventional "general war" in Europe would be like. The biggest single factor affecting the conduct of such a war, in contrast to World War II, has been the development of computers, both for use in weapons systems and in the organization of intelligence and supplies.

Weapons have become vastly more accurate. For example, in 1945 a battle tank had to fire its main gun a dozen times to stand an even chance of hitting a tank sideways at 2,000 meters on the gunnery range. Today a single shot gives a better-than-even capability. The use of air-to-surface missiles instead of free-falling bombs has reduced the delivered weight necessary to destroy most typical land targets by some 20 times.

The next advance in fire power is likely to be the use of "sub-munitions" — clusters of non-nuclear warheads released from individual rockets and homing on separate targets such as tanks — now being developed by the U.S. Army and Air Force.

Another change from World War II is likely to be a regime of continuous around-the-clock fighting as a result of advances in night vision aids. In World War II and Korea, night vision was dependent on the use of infrared devices — unwieldy equipment that

was too often visible to the enemy. Today's apparatus uses available light and has advanced to a point at which some experts predict that within a few years tanks, mechanized infantry and helicopters will be able to maneuver and engage the enemy as well at night as they do during the day.

Despite advances in rocket technology, "tubed" (i.e. traditional) artillery is likely to remain an indispensable adjunct of the land battle. But the character of artillery "duels" will be changed by the ability of the computers to analyze shell trajectories and pinpoint enemy gun positions within seconds of firing. Some commentators have assumed that these developments will render NATO's task somewhat easier.

This is in line with the thesis set out by the great strategic theorist, the late Sir Basil Liddell Hart, who asserted in the late 1960s that "defense" had been gaining ascendancy over "offense" ever since the time of Napoleon.

Believing that offensive successes in World War II were largely due to the defenders' neglect of elementary principles, Liddell Hart went on to say that the attacker normally needs an advantage of three to one in the theater as a whole, and perhaps five to one along the chosen axis of advance.

But not everyone accepts this thesis. In the latest issue of *Survival*, the journal of the London-based International Institute for Strategic Studies, a British expert, Professor Neville Brown, of the University of Birmingham, argues quite differently. While historically some weapons (mainly light ones, such as the machinegun) may have enhanced defense, he says, others (mainly heavy, such as assault artillery) have aided offense.

In the case of NATO, according to Professor Brown, the advantages of defense are further eroded by the Alliance's long front and its much restricted area for maneuver between the inter-German border and the Rhine.

This, he says, accentuates doubts about whether NATO could fight for long without recourse to nuclear weapons. "Similarly, the arguments for requesting and authorizing a specific nuclear — or chemical — release may soon come to appear altogether too long-winded."

## Japanese expanding list for armament shopping

By Rod O'Brien

TOKYO (Dephnews) — Japan's new way of looking at the Soviet menace and its latest shopping list for military hardware are apparently the latest indications of the government giving in to American pressure.

Previously Japan kept itself away from all the worst-case and extreme scenario presented by Washington. But in its latest "white paper", there is a new tone. The Japanese now see the Soviet threat as sharply as America, even to the extent, as some critics argue, of exaggerating.

By inflating the degree of potency of the threat, the defense lobby hopes to justify a bigger scale of expenditure. The current request for a 7.3 percent lift in defense spending for 1983 soars again beyond social welfare, public works and education. These sectors have been asked to clip their demands to an average 1.4 percent above last year's levels.

Significantly, a new five-year defense agency plan for 1983-1987 has been adopted by the National Defense Council, the highest policy-making body chaired by Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki. For the opposition Japan Socialist Party, however, the defense plan may well be the springboard for Japan's aspirations to again become a major military power, conveniently linked to America's arms race with the Soviet Union.

The full program requires a total outlay of up to \$64.7 billion. However, approved limits for spending on weapons and major military hardware have been set at between \$17.4 and \$18.2 billion. The shopping list includes purchase of 373 tanks, 49 ships and submarines, 50 anti-submarine patrol planes and 75 F-15 jet fighters.

Under the plan, the Maritime Self-Defense Force could acquire a naval force of 320,000 tons, which in terms of size could shift Japan from eighth to sixth place in the world. If Japan's growth rates continue to slow down, the new goals could also lift military budgets above 1 percent of the gross national product for the first time since 1965. That step would break a political promise.

Viewed by the U.S., however, the latest program is far less than expected and would only accomplish what Japan in 1976 said was the defense capability it required. But for the ruling Liberal Democratic Party, there are dangers in going too far. Its drift to the right has heretofore been relatively comfortable, seeing that the same moves have also been made by the opposition parties.

Asian countries, however, clearly fear Japanese rearmament. This has been indicated by the wave of hostile responses to Tokyo's attempt to rewrite the country's history. Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos also expressed alarm over a rearmament Japan during his state visit to the U.S. in mid-September.

Inside Japan there is likewise widespread protest as to why the country must blindly follow the U.S. For years the U.S. has pressured Japan to stop "free-riding" and share a greater defense role in the region. America's "bullying," however, tends to attract passive resistance, an attitude to which the Japanese are already inclined.

Thus, the extent to which Japan is really prepared to share a defense role with the U.S. is still unclear. For instance Prime Minister Suzuki says Japan will patrol up to 1,000 nautical miles, but he never says when. At this stage, it looks as if Japan wants to cooperate but, at the same time, not be involved in

the U.S. global strategy of protecting the Middle East and containing Soviet "adventurism."

"Some accounts indicate Japan also being urged to patrol wider than 1,000 nautical miles. But what Japan wants is responsibility over a minimal area, limited to the southeast and southwest of its territory."

The U.S. plans are far different. Washington wants Japan to share in defending areas west of Guam and north of the Philippines. It also wants air and anti-submarine defense in waters threatened by Soviet supersonic Backfire bombers. The U.S. asks for cover within this area while it is committed to "attack" any potential enemy and provide defense of the seaboards beyond.

However, these concepts have resulted in utter confusion — as far as the Japanese are concerned — over what is individual and collective defense. Under the Japan-U.S. security treaty, Tokyo can take joint action with the U.S. if its territory is under attack. But the Japanese constitution clearly sets Japanese territory and territorial waters as the permissible limits. To avoid a head-on clash over the issue, both the U.S. and Japan have now jointly agreed to begin a study within this year.

At the same time, the Japanese note a shift in the American approach. Now being emphasized is the mission to be accomplished, shifting attention as much as possible from anything to do with cost. According to Japanese experts, Washington fears that even if the National Defense Council's five-year plan is fully implemented, it will not adequately patrol up to 1,000 nautical miles.

The Japanese argue that the American policy is not without contradiction. Even if Japan covers sea and air defense up to 1,000 nautical miles, these patrols will not necessarily prevent an enemy attempting to land on the Japanese coast. If Japan will purchase weapons at enormous costs to satisfy U.S. concern over a trade balance, it will also have much less to spend on conventional armaments such as ammunition and spare parts.



NEW GENERATION: What does the future hold in store for these children of Communist China, which has the biggest population in the world? The task of keeping the Chinese people employed, housed and fed is a mammoth challenge to any government.

## Revolution in social relations feared

# Experts question China's one-child rule

By Ian Steele

NEW YORK (Dephnews) — Communist China's population could fall dramatically if the government-decreed one-child family takes hold but family life and tradition would never be quite the same again either.

The strategy has been questioned by social scientists and demographers who maintain that birth rates were already in decline when the policy became law. They also doubt the nation's capacity to provide a better social support system than the traditional extended family.

In its bid to institutionalize the "only child," the People's Congress has, in effect, made brothers and sisters, uncles, aunts and cousins an endangered species. And in the absence of pensions and other support mechanisms for old age, millions of young parents and grandparents are now living in fear that there will be no one to care for them in later life.

The Population Research Institute of the Chinese People University has estimated that the acceptance of the one-child norm by 1985 would result in a population peak of 1.05 billion people by the year 2004; this will be followed by a steady decline to about 700 million a century later.

The theory is that zero population growth at an ideal peak of 700 million would: ease the pressure on resources, eliminate unemployment, boost the gross national product and living standards, and fulfill the dream of "the four modernizations" in agriculture, industry, national defense and science and technology.

However, the same official projections foresee a shift in the current ratio of six children to every elderly person, to a slender 1.6:12 by the year 2000 — a process which implies labor shortages and an uncertain retirement for the growing percentage of the old folks in the community.

"This change in the age balance could easily cause a revolution in social relations," says Leo F. Goodstadt, a demographic expert and lecturer in law at the University of Hong Kong.

"Parents must naturally be concerned about having to look to a single child to care for them in their old age instead of being able to spread the burden over several children," Goodstadt says. He adds that current concerns expressed by older people in the Chinese community are reinforced by a common belief that the 1966 Cultural Revolution had eroded respect for the aged and weakened traditional family ties.

They point to a growing number of reports about elderly parents being mistreated by their offspring and official recognition of as much by a new marriage law which makes it a criminal offense, punishable up to five years imprisonment, to neglect to support both parents and grandparents.

Under the marriage law, passed by the

Peoples Congress in 1980, "Husband and wife are duty bound to practice family planning," ranging from the Pill and IUDs to vasectomies, sterilization and abortion as a last resort. Authorized ages for marriage have been set at 25 years for men and 23 for women in the rural areas, and 27 and 25 in the urban areas. Students and apprentices are forbidden to marry.

After the birth of the first child, incentives for sterilization are offered in the form of cash awards, special leaves of absence from work and monthly allowances until the child is 16 years old. The one-child family is given housing and land privileges; medical, schooling and nursery fees are covered by the state. The parents of the single child receive higher pension and the child is given special consideration for employment.

The penalties for having more than one child, however, can be severe, particularly if parents have signed a pledge to gain the various incentives. If the one-child pledge is broken, all privileges are forfeited on the birth of the second child and all cash awards must be repaid.

A third child is denied free education, subsidized grain rations, housing allowances and access to land, and might be socially handicapped for life by his "illegitimacy." Moreover, the child's parents must pay a penalty of 10 percent of their monthly earnings for transgressing the rules. "The penalties are designed to make the cost of three or more children prohibitive and to make the larger family an expensive luxury," says Goodstadt.

Official figures in 1980 suggest that the number of married couples accepting the one-child pledge had risen from 34 percent in 1979 to 56 percent. The highest acceptance rate comes from the armed forces (80 percent) and the capital of Peking (79.4 percent). However, the real challenge to the one-child family comes from the rural areas where 75 percent of the people live.

"Since manual labor is still the norm in the countryside and a grown person means an addition to the labor force, large families tend to become richer," says Goodstadt. He adds that recent agricultural policy in response to sluggish performance was, in fact, running counter to population policy.

Between 1966 and 1976 stress was laid on the rural collective. Incentives based on personal productivity were reduced and differences in personal earnings were minimized. But current emphasis is on earnings which reflect individual performance either in family units or small labor teams. Despite the one-child incentive payments, the advantage appears to have remained with the family with the most workers.

Further complicating the official quest for one-child families is the inherent strength of the rural family as the provider of welfare for all its members. At the same time, the government has acknowledged that

it will be a long time before the state can take over a significant responsibility for that function. The older generation also continues to hold sway over weddings and marital arrangements.

"The matchmaker, especially in the countryside, plays an important role," says Goodstadt. "The parents of both parties first consider how many members in each family can work, and its annual income, before they ask their children's opinion. Dowries are common, which means that youngsters have to heed their parents' wishes on marriage and its functions."

He adds: "Even in 1980, concubinage was being reported at the provincial level and bride purchases still occurred. Because of the housing shortage, newly married couples often cannot move to homes of their own and must depend on their parents' accommodation. Thus the parents of the bride and groom are in a strong position to dominate the marriage and influence the number of grandchildren produced."

## Cairo residents enraged over stagnant pools of water

By Dalia Baligh

CAIRO (AP) — Badriya Abdel Sabour, a young mother of three living in a poor district of northern Cairo, shook her head as she started at the pond of stagnant water covering her street. "My children are driving me crazy messing in the water all day," she complained. "And then I have no water to clean them."

The foul, stinking water has been there for months, she explained, ever since a main sewer pipe burst. To make matters worse, supplies of fresh water have been reduced since workmen have been turning off the flow in order to replace the old sewer lines. For Mrs. Sabour and millions of others in Cairo, water supplies are either too much, too little or the wrong kind. While some streets are ankle deep in what was supposed to have been drinking water, apartment dwellers in other parts of the town complain that the flow from taps frequently dwindles to a trickle.

Many foreigners and Egyptians do not drink tap water, preferring to buy bottled water or to install their own filters. Tap water often includes sand, bits of rust from antiquated pipes and in a few cases sewage that seeps into rusted or broken water mains. Diarrhea and other gastro-intestinal disorders brought on by bad water are widespread.

Egyptian officials blame the water supply problem on the city's burgeoning population. Cairo's water treatment plant was built in 1865, and the sewerage system laid down in 1914 for a city of about 960,000.

Now the system serves a metropolitan

## Nomads struggle for survival

By Alastair Matheson

NAIROBI (LOS) — The Somali official looked out the window of his cramped office in steamy Mogadishu to the distance desert, and said: "I wish I was back there with my camels, instead of being surrounded by all these papers."

To a Somali, the nomad's life is the natural way of existence — hardly carefree, but a traditional life-style followed by fully three-quarters of the country's four million people. In an eastern extension of the vast Sudan-Sahel belt which extends from the Cape Verde Islands in the Atlantic along the southern fringes of the Sahara through Mauritania, Mali, Niger, Chad into the Sudan, Somalia's people share a life-style with millions of other nomads whose daily preoccupation is the search for grazing and water for their herds.

Although well accustomed to the rigors of the desert fringes, including the droughts of the early '70s which killed 150,000 the nomads are finding the odds in their struggle for survival mounting rapidly.

Different African countries have different attitudes toward their nomadic peoples. Ethiopia — now intent on land reform, peasant organization and crop production campaigns — has no time for the man who will not stay in one place to help feed the nation.

In the Sudan, the government shows considerable sympathy for the nomads, but many new state farms, sugar estates and resettlement projects have combined to restrict their freedom of movement. Project managers do not welcome camel trains or herds of cattle lumbering through their crops and wrecking fences.

In Kenya, where more than half the north is semi-arid land suitable only for nomads, the government recently warned that no more land was available for the landless, such as the semi-nomadic Pokot. Even the land taken over from white settlers in the fertile Highlands at independence 20 years ago has been used up. The only solution was to seek more overseas aid to develop the marginal and arid lands for human settlement, the minister for lands and settlement, G.G. Karikiu said.

Many other African states have already found that no foreign money is forthcoming to halt the process of "desertification", and even the most modern technology cannot automatically find more water where water tables have already dropped, or restore exhausted grazing lands.

Chiefly to blame is over population, particularly in the Sahel where the birthrate is rising by 2.5 percent annually but food production is only growing by one percent. By 2010 the population in the Sahel will have doubled but food production will have risen by only 30 percent — thus requiring massive food imports.

population estimated variously between 10 million and 14 million. In addition, factories dump a frightening range of chemical pollutants every day into the Nile River, which supplies about 60 percent of Cairo's drinking water.

The Egyptian government estimates it will take about 2 billion pounds (\$2.5 billion) to overhaul and expand the water and sewer system by the year 2000.

The most striking examples of Cairo's water supply problem are the pools of stagnant water that spread over many streets. Officials say the 70-year-old water pipes often burst under the pressure of the 2.8 million square meters of fresh water flowing daily through the system. Last May, residents of a south Cairo slum became so enraged over the city's failure to repair a gushing water main that scores clashed with police in a major riot.

Pictures of the flooded streets were published in the local press, but the accounts made no mention of the riot.

Minister of Construction Hasabala El-Kafrawi recently promised that "urgent sanitary drainage problems will disappear within a year." His pledge was more optimistic than remarks made by President Hosni Mubarak, who said the water and drainage problems would improve "but it will take time."

Saad Eldin Abdul Maged, chief engineer at Cairo's water treatment plant, told the Associated Press that nearly half the drinkable water goes down the drain through waste or misuse.

In some neighborhoods where homes lack running water, residents leave public taps turned on all day. Several years ago the government launched a radio and television campaign urging people to turn off unused taps. The campaign was quietly shelved after it made little headway.

Residents of the middle class Zamalek neighborhood complain that water pressure has dropped with the recent opening of a 1,250-room hotel, largest in the Middle East. The hotel, built around a 100-year-old royal palace, features five gushing water fountains. A more serious problem, experts say, is the widespread practice of dumping untreated sewage and pollutants into the Nile.

"Some factories produce contaminated water with a wide variety of chemicals and toxins, every color in the rainbow," said a European technician working on a government-supervised pollution control project.

The technician, who asked not to be identified said the United States was providing \$100 million to equip plants with pollution-control devices.

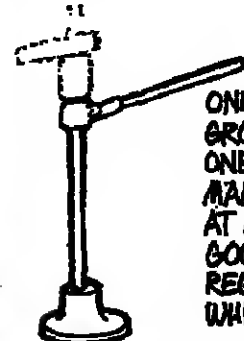
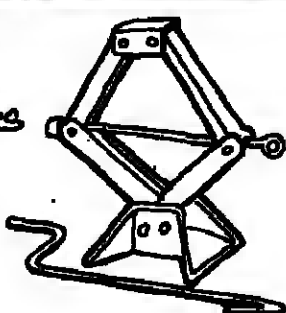
Many of the factories are located in the suburb of Helwan, which used to be a health center renowned for its curative mineral waters. Today, each of Helwan's 33 factories are estimated to be dumping about 2,000 cubic meters of polluted water per hour back into the Nile, the European expert said.

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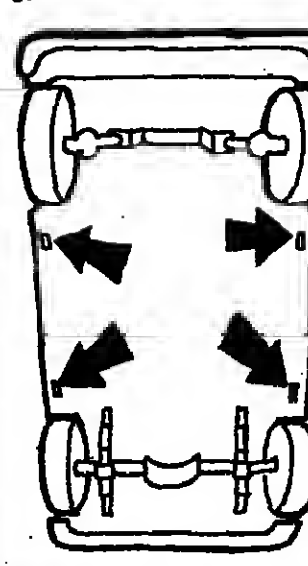
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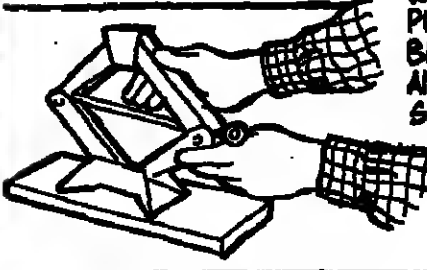
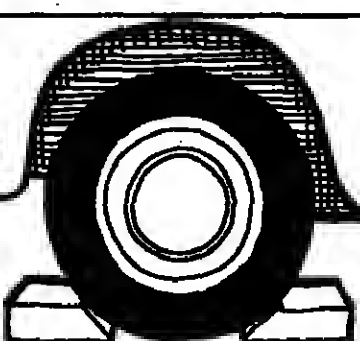
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## To forecast impending eruptions

# U.S. geologists study volcanoes

By George Alexander

MAMMOTH LAKES, California (LAT) — Geologist C. Dan Miller of the U.S. Geological Survey is as awed as anyone by the beautiful steep-walled mountains and royal blue lakes of this eastern Sierras region but, more so than most, he is acutely aware of the fact that it is a natural beauty created by natural violence.

This is, pure and simple, an active volcanic area — one whose surface has been periodically punctured over at least the last 3 million years by blasts of steam, gases, rock, ashes, pumice and lava. Indeed, Long Valley — of which this popular resort is part — is a 19-by-11-mile, oval-shaped caldera, or depression, that was formed in the aftermath of a stupendous eruption some 700,000 years ago.

For two months, Miller and his USGS colleague, Roy A. Bailey, scrambled up and down the slopes of the area, digging trenches and collecting samples. A trench is to a geologist what an ancient artifact is to an archaeologist or an old tome is to an historian: a glimpse into the past. There, in the layers of the trenches, Miller and Bailey found the evidence of a variety of past volcanic eruptions.

In a pinkish-brown, sand-like layer, one of almost two dozen widely varying strata in a particular trench, they recognize the tell-tale sign of a pyroclastic flow — an avalanche of scalding ash, gases and rock fragments, superheated to more than 500 degrees Fahrenheit, that can burst from some volcanoes and race across the countryside at speeds of up to 100 miles per hour, incinerating everything in their path.

In another, Miller and Bailey see the goosy little blobs of molten rock that were once so

saturated with gas that, now cooled and solidified, they are as lightweight as popcorn. Indeed, these fragments of pumice will float on water.

There, in still another layer, one that resembles nothing so much as pearl-gray talcum powder, Miller identifies an eruption in which water and magma mixed together so violently that the resulting explosion pulverized everything to the consistency of a fine powder.

And besides these layers, the two men point to the irregular rim surrounding Long Valley, of which Mammoth Lakes is but a small part. The rim is the perimeter of a caldera, or depression, created 700,000 years ago when a stupendous volcanic eruption here disgorged 400 times more matter than Mount St. Helens ejected.

Miller's specialty is stratigraphy — layering — and his trained eye quickly took note of the structured regularity in every one of the 25 trenches or so he hacked out of roadside embankments, mountain slopes and ravines this past summer. The layers lay one upon the other like pancakes.

What this told Miller was that successive eruptions have followed so closely upon previous ones that the last layer has barely been exposed to 200 or 500 or 1,000 years of wind and water erosion before it was smothered by the ejected material from a new explosion.

It has been somewhere between 250 and 400 years since the last blow-up around here — an interval that seems typical of the region's eruptive history over the last 1,200 years or so. But although Bailey has suggested that a major eruption could occur anytime during the next 50 years, both he and Miller shied away from making a specific prediction about the likelihood of the next volcanic event here.

"We can't do that," Bailey said. "Vol-

canoes by their very nature don't behave in a regular way. They seem to become active for a few hundred years and then go dormant for a few thousand. That's why it's so hard to put any probability figures on an eruption: you never know where you are in the current cycle of activity."

What makes the present situation here so disquieting is a series of events over the last several years. The resurgent dome, the blister-like swelling that develops inside a volcanic depression after an eruption, that occupies the western corner of Long Valley rose 10 inches between 1978 and 1980 and another three inches between Oct. 1980 and last July. The dome also expanded horizontally. Swellings like this have been observed in other volcanic structures prior to an eruption.

In addition, a string of eight bursts of small earthquakes has taken place under the Sberwin Creek campgrounds, less than two miles southeast of the center of Mammoth Lakes village. Moreover, when Geological Survey scientists have plotted the epicenters of these tremors, they have discovered that the earthquakes are occurring ever-nearer to surface, suggesting that a tongue of magma is rising from the old underground chamber.

Small seismic clusters of this sort — called "spasmodic tremor" by volcanologists — have also preceded major eruptions like the St. Helens outburst in March-May 1980.

Other Geological Survey scientists are installing a variety of instruments, like seismometers, tiltmeters and thermometers, in the ground around here to detect more changes, if and when they might occur. Both Bailey and Miller have told local residents that this network of instruments should provide some advance warning of an impending eruption, but they stop short of guaranteeing a warning.

## Connoisseurs of vanishing wildlife

By Arjuna

MANILA (Depthnews) — Nearly four million migratory birds are illegally netted each year in Japan's Yakitori trade. Nets are strung across fields, a snare to unsuspecting birds which are then sold.

About one-third of the world trade in bird involves Japan. This country so loves wildlife that it is deeply involved in almost every area of wildlife trade.

Japan, after the United States, is the world's largest consumer of wildlife and, on a per person basis, may be No. 1. Almost all of the musk and most of the tortoise shells in world trade are brought to Japanese houses. Next to West Germany, it is the largest trader in fur skins of wild species, and is a leading importer of shells, coral, reptile skins, primates, butterflies and tropical fish.

The Japanese are also the world's largest consumers of ivory. Japan and Hong Kong share 80 percent of raw ivory that Africa exports. Until recently, Japan was a major trafficker in rhino horn as well, importing about 800 kilos each year. While Nepal banned trade in the highly endangered musk deer since 1973, Japan continues to get 90 percent of the international trade. Imports from Nepal went down only to be doubled by imports from China where musk deer are farmed.

Historically one of the leading traffickers in endangered species, Japan accepted in 1980 the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES). Early this year, a new TRAFFIC (trade records analysis of flora and fauna in commerce) office opened in Tokyo, working closely with customs so that regulations are enforced.

Upon acceptance of CITES, Japan put nine plants and animals on a list for which commercial trade is outlawed. Since then, it has added two more, including three species of whales, three of sea turtles, three of monitor lizards, the saltwater crocodile and the Himalayan musk deer.

Still, public awareness on endangered species is very low. A musk is a musk, and it does enhance the flavor of life. "And a fur is always a way to a woman's heart," says a Japanese friend.

Winter is still cold in the land of the rising sun and Japan's fur industry still warms up the richer populace. In fact, last year saw the continuation of the boom in the sale and demand for fur of wild species. Before Japan accepted the international regulations on the trade of wildlife, its enterprising businessmen hoarded the most fur they can get in the world market. The stockpiling guaranteed that endangered species will continue to be traded for some time.

## Asia searching for ways to minimize typhoon havoc

By Suchin Vacharapongprecha

BANGKOK (Depthnews) — Can typhoons or cyclones be made to turn back to the sea where they originate before these can wreak havoc and destruction on life and property?

Not yet, according to data gathered so far by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO). But the concerted search for the means to "tame" typhoons has been launched. What's more, considerable headway has been reported by an on-going Asian typhoon experiment to further improve early warning systems that hopefully could save lives and cut property losses.

The experiment is under the auspices of a typhoon committee jointly set up in 1968 by WMO and the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP). The committee aims to promote and coordinate efforts to minimize typhoon damage in the Asia-Pacific region. This year's experiment will be followed by another in 1983 also during the August-October period.

WMO records show that from 80 to 100 typhoons ravage the world annually, killing an estimated 20,000 people and damaging property worth billions of dollars. In Asia alone, 16 nations had suffered \$35.835 million (at 1975 prices) in property and flood damage caused by typhoons during the 1961-1975 period, according to an ESCAP study.

The same study says that among the typhoon committee members, Japan suffered most in terms of property damage during the period with losses running at \$20.963 million. It is followed by the Philippines, South Korea and Thailand. In point of typhoon "visits," WMO singles out the Philippines which is hit by an average of 19 typhoons annually.

The current experiment focuses on typhoons that barrel out of the sea south of latitude 15 degrees north, approach the Philippines from the east or those that cut across the South China Sea from east to west.

Masses of typhoon data to be gathered will be subjected to critical analysis which, the committee hopes, would provide the information that will indicate how the weather disturbances can be made to head back to sea before they near land.

Also to be tested is the state of competence of typhoon information exchange systems set up by countries in the region and effectiveness of national and regional prevention and assistance plans. A dry-run held by the committee in the summer of 1981 provided what was described as a "running-in period for the teams and methods" that would come into play when

actual experiments are held.

Members of the committee are the Philippines, Japan, South Korea, Thailand, Hong Kong and Laos. Funding for the experiment has been provided by WMO, ESCAP, U.N. Development Program and the U.N. Environment Program. The committee members provide the needed meteorological staff, material and counter-part funds.

Results of the experiments are expected to provide additional sophistication to the two systems now in worldwide use to detect typhoons as soon as these are born and to spread the warning to countries along their paths.

The two systems consist of observation satellites and land-based weather observation stations which use radar. The satellites are more versatile than their land-based counterparts, according to WMO. Typhoons spotted by satellites provide typhoon trackers about 12 hours to warn nations and endangered populations of the approach of the weather disturbances.

Tropical cyclones which hit the Western Pacific area come under three classifications. Those generating wind velocity of more than 115 kph are dubbed as full-fledged typhoons; those with maximum winds between 61 and 115 kph are called tropical storms; and those with wind speed of less than 61 kph are depressions.

The western North Pacific suffers the highest incidence of typhoons in the entire Asian region, reports ESCAP. A Hong Kong meteorological study counted 758 tropical storms during 1947-1970 with 394 attaining typhoon intensity. In trying to help minimize the tremendous damage suffered by Asia-Pacific countries from typhoons, ESCAP says that considerable progress has been achieved by the typhoon committee since it started operations in 1968.

An action program being implemented by the committee has five components: meteorological, hydrological, disaster prevention and preparedness, training and research. The meteorological part aims for the continued improvement of the typhoon warning system like observational network, telecommunications facilities, data analysis and forecasting techniques. Flood forecasting is the heart of the hydrological component which includes programs for comprehensive flood loss prevention and management.

Improvement of national organization for disaster prevention and preparedness to reduce damage caused by typhoons, floods and storm surges is called for under the third component. The building of a corps of Asian meteorologists and allied personnel is the main objective of the training and research components of the action program.

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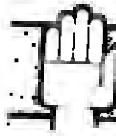
Dr. Steincrohn discusses

Saturday, Nov. 13

Doctors should offer hope and courage to the family of a heart attack patient and be more tactful with the patient himself as far as the after-effects of the attack go.

Sunday, Nov. 14

There's a need for self-checkups of blood pressure by some patients. In a recent report in the *Journal of American Medical Association*, doctors found that borderline hypertensive patients taking antihypertensive drugs were able to detect accurately small changes in pressure.



### STOP KILLING YOURSELF

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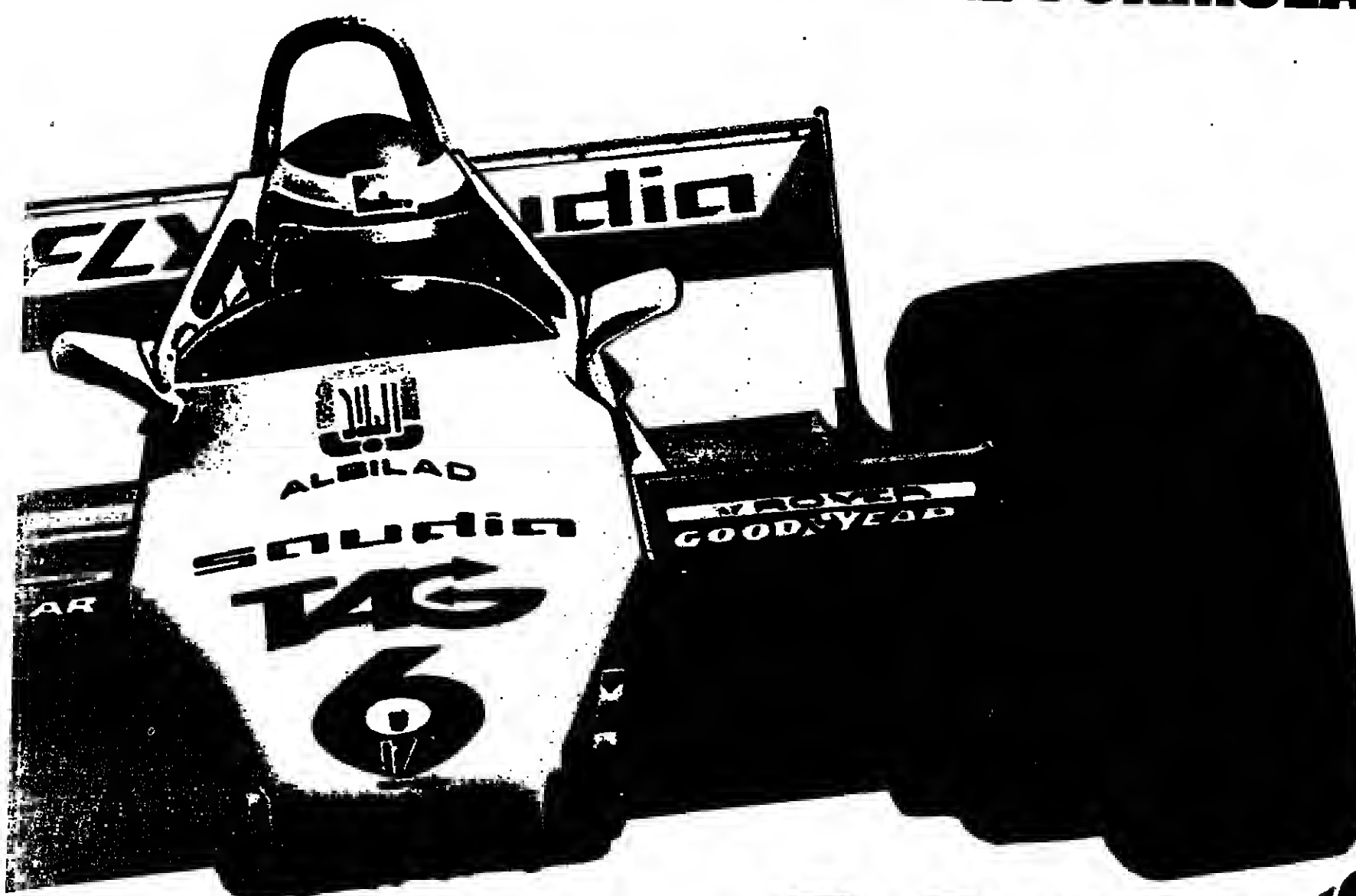
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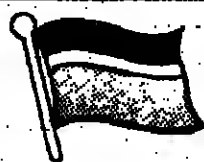


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